

Title : Need for establishment of Tertiary Cancer Care Centre in Andhra Pradesh-laid

SHRI MAGUNTA SREENIVASULU REDDY (ONGOLE): I rise to highlight the critical issue of the absence of a Tertiary Cancer Care Centre (TCCC) in the state of Andhra Pradesh. Cancer is a major health challenge, and many citizens in our state are unfortunately affected by it, putting their lives at significant risk. To address the rising number of cancer cases, the NDA alliance in Andhra Pradesh is proactively working to provide free cancer prevention services through Government hospitals, ensuring that over 40 million people benefit from early diagnosis and preventive care. However, prevention alone is not enough. Strengthening our cancer treatment infrastructure is equally important, for which a TCCC is vital. Andhra Pradesh, despite being one of the top 10 states in India with the highest incidence of cancer, currently lacks such a centre. The absence of a TCCC in our state severely hampers the ability of healthcare providers to offer specialized, comprehensive care to cancer patients. Therefore, I would like to request the Hon?ble Minister of Health and Family Welfare to establish a Tertiary Cancer Care Centre in Andhra Pradesh. This facility will ensure that cancer patients have access to specialized treatment, improving survival rates and a better quality of life for those battling cancer.