

**Regarding need to set up a Day Care Cancer Centre (DCCC) in Anakapalli district in Andhra Pradesh-Laid**

**DR. C. M. RAMESH (ANAKAPALLE):** After conducting national gap analysis using ICMRs Cancer Registry data, Health Ministry decided to establish Day Care Cancer Centers in various districts. In pursuance of this decision, 200 DCCCs, including 14 centers in district hospitals of Andhra Pradesh, have been approved by Health Ministry. There is also a provision that DCCC can be established in other Government hospitals in district. Finance Minister announced in 2025-26 Budget that 200 centres would be set up in 2025-26 and remaining centres would be set up in subsequent years. As per Non-Communicable Diseases 3.0 Survey, there are nearly 1700 breast; 4600 oral; 1600 cervical suspected cancer cases in Anakapalli. Apart from these, there are also other cancer cases in district. So, there is a need to set up DCCC in Anakapalli. Hence, I appeal to Health Minister to set up one DCCC in Anakapalli next year which is useful for cancer patients in the district.