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Title: Need to establish a Central medical College in Kalahandi, Odisha.

SHRI BHAKTA CHARAN DAS (KALAHANDI): Kalahandi-Nuapada districts are centrally situated in the backward KBK region of Odisha. For the last few years, epidemic diseases have claimed more than thousands of lives. The health problems highlight the poor condition of medical service in Kalahandi even after 65 years of Independence. The health service ratio shows there is only one doctor per fifteen thousand people. A Central Government Medical College in Kalahandi will meet the critical health needs of the tribal and economically backward inhabitants. The proposed hospital will also play a key role in various National Health programmes of the Centre in the KBK zones. The existing State medical Colleges of Odisha and other super-speciality hospitals are situated at very far off places.

In Kalahandi district there are hundred acres of government land near Kesinga / Narla / Bhawanipatna Railway Station of East Coast Railway division which can be utilised for this purpose. Also the district is well connected by road, rail, an air strip at Utkela, Kalahandi and the nearest aerodrome is at Raipur.