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Title: Need to set up AIIMS at Perundurai in Erode district of Tamil Nadu.

SHRIMATI V. SATHYABAMA (TIRUPPUR): The Union Government had announced in its last Budget that AIIMS will be established in Tamil Nadu. The former Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu had immediately identified 5 suitable locations in Tamil Nadu including Perundurai in Erode District. The Central team had inspected the proposed locations in April last year. But the Union Government has yet to announce the location for the establishment of AIIMS in Tamil Nadu. The Former Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu had already urged the Hon'ble Prime Minister to ensure establishment of AIIMS Hospital in Tamil Nadu without any delay.

The IRT- Perundurai Medical College and Hospital, Perundurai is located in a lush green landscape of 327 acres which is 20 Kms west of Erode Coimbatore Highway. The existing site inspected is easily approachable as it lies on the National Highway No. 47, connecting Coimbatore, Salem and Perundurai towns and is well connected with both train and bus services which provides better accessibility for patients.

The AIIMS Hospital, if constructed at Perundurai, will provide medical care to around 2 crore people not only in the western districts of Tamil Nadu but also to the poor people in the adjoining States of Kerala and Karnataka. With the rising demand for medical care, there is a huge expectation for the establishment of AIIMS like Medical and Research Institution in Perundurai to provide best medical facilities and services to the people of this Kongu region.

Therefore, I urge the Union Government to expedite the announcement of setting up of AIIMS at Perundurai in Erode district in Tamil Nadu and to ensure that the construction and establishment of AIIMS is initiated without any further delay.