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Title: Need to set up an AIIMS type super specialty hospital cum teaching institute at Madurai.

SHRI R. GOPALAKRISHNAN (MADURAI): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, our Puratchi Thalaivi Amma has taken a series of measures for the healthcare of the people of Tamil Nadu receiving accolades from all. Setting up of an AIIMS type super specialty hospital in Madurai is at top priority. I am very happy that due to the determination and pursuance of our Puratchi Thalaivi Amma the Central Government has announced setting up of an AIIMS in Tamil Nadu.

For the last about 10 months I have been urging upon the Central Government for setting up of an AIIMS type super specialty hospital cum teaching institute at Madurai. Proposals have been submitted by the Tamil Nadu Government to the Central Government.

Madurai city is called a temple city, as you know very well. The proposed site is K. Puthupatti in Madurai. Madurai is a major city for the people of southern Districts of Tamil Nadu. About 2.3 crore people of 12 Districts around Madurai would benefit by an AIIMS type hospital at Madurai. Madurai city itself is having a population of about 15 lakh. Local planning authorities and Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board are willing to extend their full cooperation to the Health Department and the District Administration in this regard.

For the overall development of Madurai City and in the interest of crores of people in and around Madurai, I would like to urge upon the Union Government to set up an AIIMS type super specialty hospital cum teaching institute in Madurai.