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Title: Need to set up an AIIMS like institute in Telengana.

**SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA (SECUNDERABAD):** Hon'ble Finance Minister announced in his budget speech to establish five AIIMS like institutes in five states. But unfortunately Telangana, the newly formed state couldn't get a place in the first list. Telangana is a backward state and very much in need of AIIMS like institute to cater to the medical needs of the poor.

I would like to inform that there are only five government colleges in entire Telangana. Even though we have Nizam Institute of Medical sciences, it is not affiliated to any medical college. The hospitals in Telangana are not well equipped with facilities in respect of cardio-thoracic surgery as well as super specialty in neurosciences. The presence of corporate hospitals in Hyderabad is of no use to lower middle class as the cost is not affordable for them.

In order to tackle the problems of the Fluoride victims of Nalgonda district, to control the death rate of tribals due to PF malaria during monsoon period in Adilabad district and to provide cheaper and qualitative medical facilities to the poor people of the backward districts like Mehaboobnagar, Medak etc. in Telangana State, I urge upon the Government to kindly establish an AIIMS like institute in Telangana at the earliest. Government of Telengana is ready to provide the required facilities including land near Hyderabad city.