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Title :Need to establish an AIIMS like medical institute at Thoppur in Virudhunagar Parliamentary constituency of Tamil Nadu.

SHRI T. RADHAKRISHNAN (VIRUDHUNAGAR) : The Union Government has announced in its last Budget that AIIMS will be established in Tamil Nadu. The Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu Puratchi Thalavi AMMA had immediately identified 5 suitable locations in Tamil Nadu, including Thoppur in my Virudhunagar constituency in Madurai District. The Central team which had inspected the proposed location in April last year, but the Union Government is yet to announce the location selected for establishment of AIIMS in Tamil Nadu. The Hon'ble 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 Government Rajaji Hospital in Madurai provides medical care of around 2 crore people in the southern districts of Tamil Nadu. With the rising demand for medical care, there is a huge expectation for the establishment of AIIMS like Medical and Research Institution in Thoppur to provide best medical facilities and services to the people of this region.

Therefore, I urge the Union Government to expedite the announcement for setting up of AIIMS at Thoppur in my Virudhunagar Constitution and establishment of AIIMS be initiated without any further delay.