

I take strong objection to the mischief done against our nation and demand Government of India to take immediate steps to undo the mischief.

MR. SPEAKER: It will be examined.

(11) OPEN HEART SURGERY IN ALL-INDIA INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES

SHRI KUSUMA KRISHNA MURTHY (Amalapuram): Sir, under rule 377, I wish to raise the following matter:

I wish to draw the special attention of this House to an important matter relating to an urgent policy matter of national significance.

The assertion that India did not need to provide the facilities for open heart surgery has caused unbelievable surprise to me in the present context of fast growing heart disease in our country. This is a matter of absolute national significance, involving public urgency, and this assertion must have surprised every progressive mind in our country, not to speak of our dedicated scientists.

The new item under the caption 'AIIMS needs thorough clean-up' in the 'Hindustan Times' on March 13, 1979 is full of contradictions while causing a lot of misgivings on our national policies, especially those relating to medicine and health. It is quite appreciable to stress on a thorough clean-up in the administration and also for a greater health budget of 7 per cent from the existing 2 per cent of our present national Budget; but it is quite unfortunate that the Director of our country's premier medical institution, namely, the All India Institute of Medical Sciences to believe and speak that "We have no science except political science", while our scientists prove to be highly dedicated and capable of winning even the most prestigious

and coveted Nobel Prize. It is highly damaging to the nation to say that "We have only pseudo-science and we are capable only of duplication." While our great scientists have put India on the world map of atomic power.

Above all, India has a unique place in the entire Asia in the field of Cardio-thoracic surgery and our standard now in open heart surgery is in no way inferior to any of the systems available in any of the advanced Western countries. Thousands of patients come to AIIMS every day for specialized treatment in open-heart surgery and AIIMS is unable to cope up with the heavy demand with the available resources. It is the results which encourage the patients from all over the country to come for the advanced treatment available here. In fact, during the last one decade, our AIIMS has done commendable service in various fields of advanced medical treatment and more particularly in open heart surgery and thereby our AIIMS has occupied a supremely significant place in the world of advanced medical treatment and surgery.

In this context, instead of making further vigorous efforts to strengthen this branch of open heart surgery, it is really very unfortunate for the Director of AIIMS to say that India did not need to provide the facilities for open-heart surgery, clearly implying that the existence of this opportunity for the public, was a total waste in the past, and would be of no use in the future at the AIIMS.

(iii) REPORTED AGITATION BY PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHERS OF DELHI TO PRESS THEIR DEMANDS.

श्री विमलचन्द्र प्रसाद यादव (सहरसा) : अध्यक्ष महोदय, मैं नियम 377 के अन्तर्गत अधिवेशनकी लोक मंच के विषय को सदन में प्रस्तुत करता हूँ। राजधानी में विगत कई दिनों से दिल्ली की प्राइमरी टीचर प्रेड नून सम्मेलन में धरना, दिकेटिंग और सत्याग्रह अपनी उचित मांगों की से कर चला रहे हैं। सरकार उन की