

and Puducherry have repeatedly requested that this weekly train be converted into a daily service to address their transportation challenges.

Therefore, I urge the Union Government and the hon. Minister of Railways to take necessary steps to increase the frequency of the Puducherry—Kanyakumari Weekly Express to a daily service. This will ensure better connectivity, ease the travel burden on thousands of commuters, and promote regional development. Thank you, Sir.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI GHANSHYAM TIWARI): The following hon. Members associated themselves with the Special Mention made by the hon. Member, Shri M. Mohamed Abdulla: Shri Sandosh Kumar P (Kerala), Dr. V. Sivadasan (Kerala), Dr. John Brittas (Kerala) and Shri A. A. Rahim (Kerala).

Now, Shri Mohammed Nadimul Haque; not present. Shri Masthan Rao Yadav Beedha; not present. Now, Shri Maharaja Sanajaoba Leishemba.

Need for establish an AIIMS Hospital in Rural Area of Manipur

SHRI MAHARAJA SANAJAOBA LEISEMBA (Manipur): Sir, within a short span of time, there are around 25 AIIMS Hospitals established at different regions of the country. This is a remarkable achievement of the NDA Government led by the hon. Prime Minister. To meet the health care requirements of 140 crore Indians, we need establishment of medical institutes like AIIMS in all corners of the country to extend inclusive health care facilities to remote and rural areas of the country. This will enable the rural poor people to access affordable and quality medical care. The present medical infrastructure in Manipur is also inadequate in comparison with population. Beside this, due to lack of expertise, hundreds of patients are going outside the State for medical treatment thereby facing economic hardships. By establishing an AIIMS Hospital in Manipur, quality and affordable healthcare facilities could be provided to the needy and poor rural people of the State. The institute can be a referral hospital for the entire region and specific research on cancer which is very rampant in the State and also complex diseases could be treated.

So, I urge upon the Union Government to establish a full-fledged AIIMS hospital in rural area of Manipur to address the health-care needs of the poor rural people of Manipur. Thank you, Sir.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI GHANSHYAM TIWARI): The hon. Member, Shri M. Mohamed Abdulla (Tamil Nadu), associated himself with the Special Mention made by the hon. Member, Shri Maharaja Sanajaoba Leishemba.

The House stands adjourned to meet at 11.00 a.m. on Monday, the 10th February, 2025. Thank you.

The House then adjourned at forty-four minutes past four of the clock till eleven of the clock on Monday, the 10th February, 2025.