

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO- 3672
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21/03/2025**

AIIMS CENTRE AT SRI VIJAYAPURAM

3672. SHRI BISHNU PADA RAY.

Will the **Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE** be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Union Government is aware that the Member of Parliament representing the Union Territory of Andaman & Nicobar Islands has submitted a comprehensive proposal through request letters to the Government and the UT Administration for the creation of an All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) centre at Sri Vijayapuram and bringing the Andaman & Nicobar Islands Institute of Medical Sciences (ANIIMS) under the ambit of AIIMS;
- (b) if so, the details of actions taken/proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (c) if not, the reasons for not considering the proposal?

**ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI PRATAPRAO JADHAV)**

(a) to (c) Under Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojana (PMSSY), establishment of 22 All India Institutes of Medical Sciences(AIIMS) has been approved with the aim to correct regional imbalances in the availability of affordable/ reliable tertiary healthcare services and to augment facilities for quality medical education in the country. In the current phase of PMSSY, there is no proposal for establishment of a new AIIMS at Sri Vijayapuram in Andaman & Nicobar Islands. Further, new AIIMS are set up as Institutes of National Importance under AIIMS Act. All AIIMS are Greenfield projects and there is no provision to bring an existing Institute under the ambit of AIIMS under the Act.
