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Respected ShriVenkaiah Naidu ji, Hon'ble Minister for Urban Development, Urban Poverty Alleviation, Information & Broadcasting, Government of India;

Respected ShriJ.P.Naddaji, Hon'ble Minister for Health and Family Welfare Government of India and President AIIMS;

Respected Prof M.C.Misraji Director AIIMS; Prof G.K.Rath Head National Cancer Institute and Chief Dr BRA IRCH; Prof BalramAiron, Dean Academic and Chief CTVS Center;

Distinguished Faculty Members, Nursing Staff, Officers and Employees of AIIMS;

It gives me immense pleasure to welcome ShriVenkaiah Naidu jiHon'ble Minister for Urban Development, Urban Poverty Alleviation and Information & Broadcasting Government of India, ShriJ.P.Naddaji Minister for Health and Family Welfare Government of India and President AIIMS to the AIIMS for the MOU signing ceremony of 3 major Projects of AIIMS namely the AIIMS Redevelopment of Residential Campuses, the Machinery & Equipment Procurement of National Cancer Institute and the appointment of the Project Management Consultant for the National Cardio-vascular Institute of India. The cumulative worth of these projects is Rs. 7741 crores, the largest public health investments for any individual Medical Sciences University of India.

It gives me immense personal satisfaction to see that two year efforts of AIIMS administration has resulted in Cabinet approval and the MOU signing ceremony that we witness today for what has been a long felt need for AIIMS Faculty and Officials – the access to modern housing within the residential campuses. The Union Cabinet has approved a Rs. 4441 crores project for construction of 3928 apartments in the AIIMS campuses of AyurVigyan Nagar and West Ansari Nagar. While the AIIMS had historically sought allotment of apartments in NBCC's East Kidwai Nagar campus, the Government has agreed to a Redevelopment model of AIIMS campuses on self-financing basis in line with the extant policy for New MotiBagh.

Considering that the proposal for Construction of Residential Housing for AIIMS Faculty and Officials was first discussed in the Governing Body chaired by Dr. Karan Singh ji in 1974, it has been a very long wait for AIIMS to see the long standing demand being fulfilled. It was not till 2014, that the proposal received considerable momentum once again. For this we would like to express our appreciation for the support received from ShriVenkaiah Naidu ji, ShriJ.P.Naddaji and the Finance Minister ShriArunJaitleyji who enabled formulation of a comprehensive housing proposal with collaboration between AIIMS and NBCC, a Maharatna PSE well known for its high quality civil works.

In 2015, the AIIMS proposal was formulated by a Senior Faculty Committee headed by Prof S.K.Acharya in consultation with Faculty, Nursing Staff, Officers and Karmacharis of AIIMS. The proposal was further discussed by Director AIIMS in several rounds of meetings with all stake holders. Following Prof Acharya's retirement, the Faculty Committee was headed by Prof Y.K.Gupta which coordinated with NBCC to firm up the final proposal.

AIIMS received support from 3 Health Secretaries ShriLovVerma, ShriB.P.Sharma and ShriC.K.Mishra; 3 Urban Development Secretaries ShriSudhirKrishna ,ShriMadhusudan Prasad and Shri Rajiv Gauba and 2 Finance Secretaries ShriRatanWatal and Shri Ashok Lavasa. The President AIIMS chaired meetings to take the proposal forward in the statutory institutional fora of the Governing Body and Institute Body. The proposal was presented to the Principal Secretary to Prime Minister and the Vice Chairman NITI Aayog in 3 rounds of meetings. The efforts of DrA.K.Mittal Chairman NBCC who has participated personally in all meetings are highly commendable as also the effort of his dedicated team of Shri Raman Agarwal and ShriNareshMadan. After 2 years of relentless efforts from AIIMS, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, supported by the Ministry of Urban Development and the Ministry of Finance the proposal was considered and approved by the Union Cabinet in end 2016. It is expected that very soon civil works would be commenced under this project.

The National Cancer Institute has been termed a project of National Importance by the Government and has been accorded highest priority. Adequate resource allocation and timely decision-making have imparted tremendous momentum to the civil works at the AIIMS Jhajjar campus and by end 2017 several buildings of the Institute Block would reach completion. The Hospital Block is expected to reach completion by March 2018. In line with timelines laid down by Government for commencement of operations at the National Cancer Institute by mid 2018, the Machinery & Equipment procurement of National Cancer Institute amounting to Rs. 729 crores is being

commenced by AIIMS in collaboration with M/s HITES. I am thankful to ShriS.N.Sathu CEO HITES for making this collaboration possible.

The National Cardio Vascular Institute represents a long cherished dream of Prof BalramAiron for expansion of sevices of the CTVS center to a much larger institute in AIIMS Jhajjar Campus. The proposal is being taken up in collaboration with M/s HSCC for formulation of a Detailed Project Report. I am thankful to ShriGyaneshPandey Chairman HSCC for making the collaboration possible.

The moving institutional force behind these 3 projects has been the vision of Prof M.C.Misra Director AIIMS. It is his vision and initiative for the development of AIIMS that has culminated in this marquee event.

Once again let me extend a warm and hearty welcome to all dignitaries on this occasion.

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