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Patil seeks special audit of state's Covid-19 procurement

Bengaluru: Public Accounts Committee (PAC) Chairman H K Patil said there is a need for a special audit into the purchase of medical equipment by the Health and Family Welfare Department at the earliest to instil confidence in the system. In a letter to the Principal Accountant General, Patil said the PAC had unanimously resolved in its August 4 meeting to request the C&AG for a special audit regarding procurement of equipment to fight Covid-19. "However, it is to our surprise that the special audit is being proposed to be included in performance audit of 2019-20," Patil said, and added that since most of Covid-19 related procurement in the department had occurred after March 2020, it is obvious that will not be covered in the audit report of 2019-20. He stressed the need for a special audit of the department at the earliest. **ENS**