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The Bishops of Visakhapatnam diocese seemed to have far-seeing eyes into the distant future. Bishop Peter Rossillon of happy memory had in his mind to have a well equipped Nursing Home where the priests and religious of his diocese could be cared for when they were sick. He had purchased some land between the old town of Visakhapatnam and Waltair uplands. It was fairly extensive, open and quite near the sea. So it was an ideal spot for a nursing home. Bishop Rossillon's successor Bishop Joseph Baud was strongly supported by Bishop Tobar of Cuttack diocese for the establishment of a Catholic Nursing Home. Both of them wanted the Sisters of St. Joseph of Annecy to run it. Bishop Baud already had a suitable site in his mind and he was prepared to give it to the Sisters for the purpose of the Nursing Home. He also offered the stones required for the structure. At this time a good number of the nurse Sisters of the Congregation had to resign from Cuttack Government Hospital because they were asked to work under very difficult situations. It was providential that the then Superior General, Mother Marie Francisca, had decided to open the Nursing Home at Visakhapatnam. The then Provincial Superior, Mother Therese Marie, whole heartedly welcomed this decision, seeing in it the "signs of the times".

