

LOK SABHA DEBATES

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11.02 hrs

Wednesday, July 22, 1992/ Asadha 31,
1914 (Saka)

The Lok Sabha then adjourned till Twelve
of the clock.

The Lok Sabha met at Eleven of the Clock

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO THE
QUESTIONS

[MR. SPEAKER in the Chair]

[English]

RE: RAM JANAMBHOOMI BABRI MASJID
ISSUE

Thermal Power Projects at Coal
Pitheads

(Interruptions)

*204. SHRI V. SHEENIVASA
PRASAD:
SHRI M. V. CHAN-
DRASHEKARA MUR-
THY:

[English]

SHRI NIRMAL KANTI CHATTERJEE
(Dumdum): We are back to find out what the
Government has done uptill now. We stayed
out till now and gave them an opportunity to
act... (Interruptions)

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to
state:

SHRI BASUDEB ACHARIA (Bankura):
I have given notice to suspend the Question
Hour.. (Interruptions)

(a) whether the Government propose to
allow the Coal India Limited to take up large
thermal power projects at the coal pitheads;

[Translation]

SHRI MADAN LAL KHURANA (South
Delhi): Mr. Speaker, Sir, the Central Govern-
ment has deployed Central Forces to Uttar
Pradesh—(Interruptions)

(b) if so, the reasons for constructing
thermal power projects at the coal pitheads;

(c) whether the propound power proj-
ects are likely to be utilised for captive con-
sumption purposes;

The genocide which is likely to take
place in Ayodhya should be discussed in the
House. (Interruptions)

(d) if so, the time by which these are
proposed to be built; and

(e) the estimated total expenditure in-
volved therein?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P.A. SANGMA): (a) to (e) Keeping in view the long-term projections of demand for power by Coal India Limited (CIL) and likely availability from the grid, CIL has set up a number of diesel based generating sets at various locations in the coal mines. In addition, three coal based captive power stations of 20 MW capacity each have been sanctioned by the Government for three locations, one each in ECL, BCCL and CCL. The total expenditure on these three Captive Power Stations is Rs. 175 crores approximately.

These Captive Power Stations have been set up to meet the emergency power requirement of deep underground mines for ensuring safety and for maintaining winding, ventilation and pumping services. Since the washery operations are also sensitive to power interruptions, coking coal washeries are also supplied power from these captive stations.

Since the requirement of power of the coal mines is increasing and the supply position from the grid continues to be unsatisfactory, CIL is planning to set up more coal based captive power stations at different locations. The size of these stations would depend upon the power demand of underground mines and coking coal washeries, extent of areas to be served, and the capacity of the transmission system.

[*Translation*]

Survey in Earthquake-Affected Areas

205. PROF. RITA VERMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any geological survey has

been conducted by Wadi Institute of Himalayan Geology in the earthquake-affected hilly areas of Uttarkashi in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) if so, the names of the places where survey has been conducted so far and whether the survey report has since been submitted to the Government; and

(c) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRONICS AND DEPARTMENT OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P.R. KUMARAMANGLAM): (a) The Wadia Institute has undertaken a seismo tectonic survey of the earth quake areas affected by October 20, 1991 Uttarkashi earthquake. The emphasis was on estimating the damage and its correlation to tectonic features.

(b) The party visited the following villages: Tanahani, Mathali, Dunda, Agora, Gangori, Ganeshpur, Nold, Naitala, Siraur, Bhisampur, Maithali, Maneri, Hina, Jamak, Sainj, Saura Sari, Kumalti, Dissari, Bhatwari, Mukhoda, Tihar, Barsu, Bukhi, Pala Paithal, Ganghani, Bhojora, Nismop, Gaidyara, Khurkot, Kama, Chandpur, Ganjpli, Lothru, Bojna, Kunjju, Nateen, Bilang, Dwari, Bhajwara, Phokhal, Jhakkhali, Budakedap and Kedarnath. The report prepared after this survey was submitted to the Department of Science and Technology.

(c) The Department of Science and Technology organised a discussion on December 2, 1991 where the seismic parameters of Uttarkashi earthquake were assessed and recommendations for future work were made.