

**Tiltr: Need to direct Neyveli Lignite Corporation Ltd. to undertake welfare programmes in the area.**

SHRI E. PONNUSWAMY (CHIDAMBARAM): Sir, Neyveli Lignite Corporation in Tamil Nadu is not spending even half a per cent of Rs.700 crore profit towards the welfare of the people of the peripheral area who lost all their lands in lieu of NLC. The Public Sector Undertaking should help laying of roads, providing of water for irrigation and drinking purposes including certain facilities like community hall, schools, libraries, etc.

I have received a number of representations regarding poor management of NLC hospital. The hospital is provided neither with sophisticated equipment nor with specialists for curing vital diseases. As a result, the patients are frequently referred to some big hospitals in Chennai and other places for emergency cases.

NLC should provide medical assistance to all the land evictees who have surrendered their lands to this mighty organisation as a measure of social obligation.

I am sure the Government will direct the PSU to provide one per cent profit for welfare of the people regularly.

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