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Title: Need to connect Ladakh with Northern Grid through 220 K.V. transmission line.

SHRI CHHEWANG THUPSTAN (LADAKH): The entire Ladakh region of Jammu and Kashmir State has virtually no power supply. Even the two major towns of Leh and Kargil are supplied electricity for only 4 to 5 hours during winter months as the two micro hydel projects have to be shut down during winter as the water freezes. Although two power projects, one each at Leh and Kargil are under construction but it will take at least 5 years to complete. It has been demanded that Ladakh region be connected with the Northern Grid through a 220 KV transmission line and the project be approved by Central Electricity Authority. Also an amount of Rs. 634 crores was approved, but the project was deferred. To ensure constant power supply to Ladakh region, it has to be connected with Northern Grid. The two power projects under construction in Ladakh even when completed will not meet with the demand during winter months as the power generation will go down due to reduced water discharge. I, therefore, request Government of India to consider connecting Ladakh with Northern Grid through 220 KV transmission line on priority basis so as to provide uninterrupted power supply in this strategically sensitive border region of our country.

SHRI BRAJA KISHORE TRIPATHY (PURI): I have given notice, Sir. ...(*Interruptions*) It have assured that I would raise it on Monday. But today also, since morning it has been postponed.

उपाध्यक्ष महोदय : अभी जीरो आवर नहीं है, इसे शाम को ले लेंगे।

श्री बृज किशोर त्रिपाठी : सर, मैं दो मिनट में खत्म कर दूंगा, ज्यादा समय नहीं लूंगा।

उपाध्यक्ष महोदय : अगर आपको समय दूंगा तो और भी मांगेंगे, फिर उन्हें कैसे इनकार करूंगा। त्रिपाठी जी, फिर दूसरों को भी टाइम देना पड़ेगा।

वेद!(व्यवधान)

उपाध्यक्ष महोदय : किसी तरफ से रिक्वेस्ट है, उन्होंने जाना है।

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE): Demand will come from all sections of the House. ...(*Interruptions*)

MR. DEPUTY-SPEAKER: Now, we shall take up Item No.19.

Shri Mohan Singh – not present.

Shri Prabodh Panda – not present.

...(*Interruptions*)

उपाध्यक्ष महोदय : आप शाम को बोल लेना। अब मैंने नैक्स्ट आइटम ले लिया है।