

Regarding need to resolve the electricity shortage in Jammu and Kashmir-laid

SHRI HASNAIN MASOODI (ANANTNAG): Jammu and Kashmir is grappling with a severe electricity crisis, marked by a significant gap between demand and supply. The shortfall is especially evident during harsh winters and results in prolonged power outages, causing significant hardships for residents. Presently, only 150 MWs are generated from the State pool out of a total capacity of 2800 MWs, with the rest sourced from the central pool, including recent Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs) by the JKPDD. Jammu and Kashmir predominantly relies on hydel power, which witnesses seasonal variations, leading to a substantial power deficit, especially during the high-demand winter months. The gravity of the situation necessitates immediate intervention to address the gap between power supply and demand. It is imperative that we explore alternative renewable sources, such as wind energy, to bridge this alarming shortfall. To address this crisis, it is imperative to bridge the gap between power demand and supply. Exploring alternative renewable resources, such as wind energy, becomes crucial in meeting the region's growing electricity needs. Therefore, I earnestly urge upon the Minister to intervene swiftly, devising comprehensive strategies to alleviate the suffering of the people in Jammu and Kashmir.

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