

Title: Celebration of "World Earth Day" on 22.4.2005.

SHRI P. KARUNAKARAN : Sir, 22<sup>nd</sup> April is the World Earth day which has become a most important aspect in the human life. The World Earth Day is being celebrated for the last 35 years. The organised form of this movement came into existence in 1997 at Kyoto, an important city in Japan. Now, 141 countries have signed the Kyoto Protocol. Unfortunately, big countries like USA and Australia have not yet signed it because of their selfish motive.

I would like to quote here :

"The Kyoto Protocol is a legally binding agreement under which industrialist countries will reduce their collective emissions of Greenhouse gases to 5.2 per cent compared to 1990."

The climatic history of the Earth has been a history of great contrasts. Due to the Carbon Dioxide and other five Greenhouse gases, the environment and atmosphere of the world changed to a great extent. Take for example, the case of India. In India itself, the precious and marvellous monument, the Taj Mahal itself is under threat.

We have thousands of rivers with abundance of water. Very famous rivers like the Ganges, the Yamuna and the Cauvery are all polluted. We have a very vast area of forests and mountains. But you can see that these forests are now being encroached and destroyed.

MR. SPEAKER : Please conclude.

SHRI P. KARUNAKARAN : Sir, I find that a meeting was held by our hon. Prime Minister to assess the number of tigers whose number is decreasing just because there is no forest at all.

13.00 hrs.

So, in this context, on this day, I request the Government to have a comprehensive legislation to protect our environment and give strict instructions to the State Governments. The survival of forests, rivers and fresh air is really the prerequisite of human life today. Since we are not having a sitting tomorrow, I have raised this issue today to have a legislation on this matter.

MR. SPEAKER: Shri Kishan Singh Sangwan.

... (Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: 'Sir-sir' business will not help you. Give up this habit also.

... (Interruptions)

श्री प. कारुणाकरन : सर, 22 अप्रैल को 'वर्ल्ड ईर्थ डे' का आयोजन किया गया है। इस दिन पर हमें पर्यावरण को सुरक्षित रखने के लिए कानून बनाने की आवश्यकता है। ... (अवरोध)

MR. SPEAKER: I have called another Member of your party and you are disturbing him. This is very strange.

... (Interruptions)

MR. SPEAKER: This is the way you are co-operating! Even you are not co-operating when Member of your party is called.

... (Interruptions)

श्री प. कारुणाकरन : सर, मैं आपका ध्यान आकर्षित करने के लिए कह रहा हूँ। मैं आपसे अपेक्षा करता हूँ कि आप इस मुद्दे पर चर्चा करें। ... (अवरोध)

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