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Title: Issue regarding displacement of the people because of the Polavaram Project.

SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB (CUTTACK): Madam, yes, it is 'Zero Hour.' I would like to say that large areas, four districts of Odisha are now observing hartal....(*Interruptions*)

HON. SPEAKER: You have not given any notice or anything like that. You know better than them.

...(*Interruptions*)

माननीय अध्यक्ष : प्लीज़, दूसरों का अधिकार मत लें।

â€¦!(*व्यवधान*)

SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB : I know that. All of us had given notice today. Unluckily, not a single notice was taken up in the lottery. That is why, I have written to you only to raise it in this House.

HON. SPEAKER: Yes, proceed.

SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB : Madam, large areas, four districts of Odisha are observing hartal because the rights of the tribals have been trampled upon. That is the reason why we want to raise it today.

We want to bring to the consideration of this House that a large number of people are being displaced because of the Polavaram Project, because of the inundation. A one-sided decision had been taken by the previous Government. That is why, we had pleaded on Friday also when the Bill had come up for annexation of certain areas from Telangana to Andhra Pradesh. Our cause here is that the Odisha Government should be taken into confidence when certain areas are being inundated because of a project. The height has been increased unilaterally without the consent of the Odisha Government or the Chhattisgarh Government. That is our cause of concern. That is why, we have always been pleading about this. We have pleaded before the Supreme Court. The case is pending before the Apex Court. That is why, no decision should be taken in this House or in Parliament which will trample upon the rights of the tribals. We would request the Government to give an answer to this....(*Interruptions*)

SHRI TATHAGATA SATPATHY (DHENKANAL): Madam, the Government should give an answer to this.â€¦! (*Interruptions*)

HON. SPEAKER: Shri K.C. Venugopal, do you want to say something on the same subject.