

[*Translation*]

MR. SPEAKER: *Matters under Rule 377*,
Shri K. Kunjambu.

(*Interruptions*)

SHRI AJAY MUSHRAN (Jabalpur): Mr.
Speaker, Sir, my notice under Rule 377 has
not come up.

(*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: If you convince me that
this subject comes under the Central Gov-
ernment, I will admit the notice.

[*English*]

SHRI AJAY MUSHRAN: Right Sir.

[*Translation*]

MR. SPEAKER: If this subject does not
come under the Central Government, you
will have to apologise for it.

[*English*]

SHRI AJAY MUSHRAN: Right Sir.

12.08 hrs.

MATTERS UNDER RULE 377

[*English*]

(I) **Need to set up a Thermal Power Plant in Kerala**

SHRI K. KUNJAMBU (Adoor): Under
Rule 377, I am making a statement.

Kerala is going to face power cut from
this month onwards as there is not enough
water in its reservoirs. The Monsoon was
scanty and erratic and therefore the reser-
voirs have not received enough water.

This has created a serious situation. The

State depends entirely on hydro-electric
power. A power cut at this stage which is
unprecedented in the history of Kerala, is
going to cripple the industry in the State. A
State whose financial condition is not sound,
will face economic ruin, if this happens.

There are two ways to meet this situation.
One is to supply electricity from the neigh-
bouring states on a short term basis. The
other is to set up a thermal power plant in the
State. If Kerala is to be saved thermal power
plant is a must.

I would, therefore, request the Govern-
ment to take immediate steps to set up a
thermal power plant in Kerala.

(II) **Need to provide facilities for telecasting Kannada Program- mes for Mysore, Coorg and South Canara districts.**

SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD (Cha-
marajanagar): Under Rule 377 I am making
a statement.

I want to draw the attention of the House
towards the need for providing the facilities
for the telecast of Kannada programmes for
Mysore, Coorg and South Kanara Districts.

Mysore City is the second biggest city of
Karnataka and also the old capital of the
State. This city is known for its highest con-
tribution to art and literature not only for the
State, but also to the whole nation.

At present Mysore is provided with low
power transmitter and is telecasting the
Delhi programme through satellite.

Bangalore Doordarshan's 10 KW High
Power Transmitter cannot transmit the sig-
nals to Mysore city that being beyond 100
Kms aerial distance from Bangalore. Hence
to telecast Kannada programmes for
Mysore city, Coorg and Mangalore, the
Micro wave facilities should be provided
between Bangalore and Mysore.

To ease the process the M/W line is