

**SHRI SOMNATH CHATTERJEE:** The point is that this levy will be on Government undertakings or semi-Government undertakings. What was the difficulty in realising the tax from them? It is not going to be realised from the common people at least directly but perhaps only indirectly. So, what was the secrecy about it? Why should the Government undertakings not pay the cess?

**MR. SPEAKER.** In the broader interests, now it is all right. We cannot put them in the bag again.

**SHRI SHYAMNANDAN MISHRA:** My submission is that the cess aspect, the levy aspect, of it could be put in the Finance Bill and separated from the management aspect. That is the simple thing which can be done. Let them amend the Finance Bill.

**SHRI H. N. MUKERJEE:** Let there be a short adjournment.

**SHRI MADHU LIMAYE:** Let us adjourn it.

श्री अटल बिहारी वाजपेयी (गार्ग्य)  
अच्छा महोदय, इस विषयके पर चर्चा स्थगित  
का दो बातें। इस विषयके पर आगे चर्चा  
नहीं हो सकती। आगे इस मामले को देख  
लेगे कि बिना तहत में रास्ता निर्दिष्ट है,  
उनके बारे में विचार कर लेंगे। पर इस समय  
इस पर चर्चा स्थगित की जाय।

**MR. SPEAKER:** It is a very difficult situation in which we are put. We want time to apply our minds to it. You kindly wait for some time. Postpone it.

13 00 hrs.

# STATEMENT ON FLOODING OF POWER HOUSE AT BHAKRA

**THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION AND POWER (SHRI K. C. PANT):** Flooding of the galleries at El. 1150 of the Left Bank Power House at Bhakra, apparently through draft tube dewatering valve, was noticed,

at 11.50 hrs. on 5-8-74. All the Units of the Left Power House were stopped and dewatering operations were started immediately. Since the inflow exceeded the pumping capacity, the water level in the galleries kept rising and reached an elevation of 1159 at 19 00 hours. The water started receding at that time and the dewatering operations were completed at 7 A.M. today (6-8-74). Drying operations of air compressors, motors, cooling water motors etc. of Unit I were started and it was brought back into operation at 10 45 A.M. today (6-8-74). The power supply position is now normal. With the shutting of Left Power House (generating 180 MW at that time) at 11 50 hrs. load shedding was resorted to from 12 00 hrs. on 5-8-74 when the system load was 598 MW. The load was transferred to the right bank of the Power House and the Nangal Power House (Gargwal and Kotla). The load was progressively reduced to 235 MW at 14 00 hrs. to facilitate dewatering operations and thereafter it was again raised which reached 394 MW at 16 00 hrs. which was almost the normal demand of that time. However the Nangal Fertiliser load (72 MW) which is directly connected to the Left Power House could not be met because of limitations of transfer capacity from the right side Power House. The factory was being supplied 48 MW since 16 00 hrs. yesterday but has since been raised to 72 MW with effect from 10 45 hrs. this morning. The total generation during 24 hrs. ending 18 00 hrs. on 5-8-74 was 11 73 M Units against the normal schedule of 11 80 M Units.

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अखबारों में आ गया कि गिरिह हो गया।

**SHRI DINEN BHATTACHARYYA (SERAMPUR):** We wanted to ask some questions.

**MR. SPEAKER:** Mr. Kamalapati Tripathi.