...(Interruptions)... They are not interested in the welfare of the nation ...(Interruptions)... I think this is unfortunate. ...(Interruptions)... It is very unfortunate that something like this is happening here ...(Interruptions)... I am very sorry to say this ...(Interruptions)...

श्री एस.एस. अहल्वालिया: फारूख साहब, आप बैठ जाइए।...(व्यवधान)...

सुश्री मैबल रिवैलो: सर ...(व्यवधान)...

श्री राजीव शुक्र: सर ...(व्यवधान)...

श्रीमती विध्रव ठाकुर: सर ...(व्यवधान)...

MR. CHAIRMAN: The House is adjourned till 3.00 p.m.

The House then adjourned at five minutes past two of the clock.

The House re-assembled at three of the clock, MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN in the Chair.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO STARRED QUESTIONS

Laboratory for studying earthquakes

†*241. SHRI RASHEED MASOOD: Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that a team of Indian scientists has formulated a policy for setting up of a laboratory in Koyna region of Maharashtra for studying earthquakes; and
 - (b) if so, by when this laboratory would become operational?

THE MINISTER OF EARTH SCIENCES (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) An international workshop is planned at Hyderabad and Koyna during 21-25 March, 2011 to develop a science plan to carry out this experiment at Koyna-Warna region.

Wind power potential in Karnataka

*242. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has assessed the wind power potential in Karnataka;
- (b) if so, the details and outcome thereof; and
- (c) the steps Government has taken or proposes to take to tap this potential substantially in the State?

THE MINISTER OF NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY (DR. FAROOQ ABDULLAH): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The wind potential in Karnataka has been assessed to be 11,645 MW. Under

[†]Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.