

Handling of POSCO by PGCIL

1381. SHRI SALIM ANSARI:

SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN SINGH:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (PGCIL) have failed miserably to handle and manage the affairs of POSCO, a power system operations venture;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Government has decided to separate POSCO from the clutches of PGCIL and from an independent Government company;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the action taken against the management of PGCIL for not managing the operational, developmental and market-oriented functions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (d) Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (PGCIL) has effectively handled the affairs of its subsidiary Company, Power System Operation Corporation (POSOCO), as per the directives of Government of India.

PGCIL is one of the largest transmission utilities in the world and maintaining availability of its transmission network consistently over 99%. The Company has also modernised the Regional Load Despatch Centres (RLDCs) with the State-of-the-Art Load Despatch and Communication facilities and established National Load Despatch Centre (NLDC) for effective management of the grid operations. As regards Management of operational, developmental and market oriented function, POSOCO has effectively administered the same under guidance of PGCIL.

Further, the establishment of POSOCO as an independent wholly owned Government of India Company, under the administrative control of Ministry of Power, is under consideration of the Government of India.

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1382. SHRIMATI RAJANI PATIL:

SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY:

SHRI K.C. TYAGI:

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