

No role of U.P. in grid failure

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As soon as the grid failed at around 1.00 PM, the power officials at State Headquarter here swung into action to restore the power supply. IIDC, Principal Secretary Energy and Chairman, Uttar Pradesh Power Corporation Ltd. (UPPCL) Anil K Gupta himself monitored the frantic exercise in the 'power system' section along with Managing Director, UPPCL, A P Mishra.

It was informed that before the failure of grid, power system of Uttar Pradesh was stable without any emergency condition or any known abnormality. The grid frequency, which should be in the range of 49.5 and 50.2, was 49.7. Overdrawal at this time was bare minimum at around 40 MW. While ex-bus generation from U.P. Rajya Vidyut Utpadan Nigam Limited thermal power stations was around 2200 MW, schedule supply from central sector was only 3,339 MW. There was no 'Total Transfer Capability' (TTC) or 'Available Transfer Capability' (ATC) violation that means there was no imbalance in grid parity in the State.

As to the cause of grid failure, IIDC, Anil K Gupta said, "Taking into consideration the parameters at the time of grid failure, there is no reason to believe that any power operations in Uttar Pradesh triggered it." "Power swing is suspected on account of some transmission line tripping, causing grid failure. It requires further investigation to ascertain the real cause," he added.

IIDC has issued strict directions to power engineers to make all efforts to maintain grid discipline. He appealed to the power consumers to save energy and prevent pilferage as their contribution to ensure quality power supply.
