

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY
RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO. *268
TO BE ANSWERED ON 13.08.2015

FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN NUCLEAR POWER

*268. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that one of the highlights of the nuclear deal struck in 2005 was massive foreign investment in nuclear power of India; and
- (b) if so, whether the desired level of investment has been made by the countries like USA, France, Japan and Russia in Indian nuclear power and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS AND PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (DR.JITENDRA SINGH):

- (a) No, Sir. India US Agreement for cooperation concerning peaceful uses of nuclear energy, signed in October 2008 envisaged setting up of nuclear power reactors with international collaboration, thereby helping us in moving closer to our target of 63,000 MW of nuclear power generation by 2032.
- (b) Discussions on techno-commercial aspects on setting up large capacity Light Water Reactors (LWRs) in the country have been taken up with M/s AREVA of France, M/s Westinghouse Electric Company and GE Hitachi Nuclear Energy of USA. The Government, in March, 2013, has accorded administrative approval and financial sanction for setting up of Kudankulam Units 3 and 4, with technical cooperation with Russia, at Kudankulam in Tamil Nadu. No agreement has been reached with Japan.
