GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.332 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.07.2015

REPROCESSING OF USED NUCLEAR FUEL

332. SHRI A. W. RABI BERNARD:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Japan has changed its policy to allow reprocessing of spent nuclear fuel from Japan made reactors, if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether the move is a significant development that could have positive bearing on proposed Indo-Japan civil nuclear deal and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b) The Government has seen press reports in this regard. Negotiations on finalizing the text of a Civil Nuclear Cooperation Agreement with Japan, including on the issue of reprocessing of spent fuel, are ongoing.
