

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.14
TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.11.2012

THORIUM EXPORT BY PRIVATE COMPANIES

14. SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that thorium is handled and exported by private companies from Odisha, Tamil Nadu and Kerala;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that some private companies are exporting and handling monazite;
- (d) if so, the details and actions thereof; and
- (e) the action Government proposes to take to stop the exports by private companies?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS
AND PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY) :

- (a) No, Sir.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c) No, Sir. Department of Atomic Energy has not issued any licence for handling and export of either Monazite or Thorium to any private company.
- (d)&(e) Do not arise.
