

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY  
**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2950**  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.12.2012

**SAFETY REVIEW DONE BY IAEA**

2950. SHRI OM PRAKASH MATHUR:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a safety review of the Atomic power stations including Rawatbhata in Rajasthan has been done recently by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) or by other agencies;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and steps Government proposes to take to address the concerns expressed during such review;
- (c) whether Government proposes to conduct periodic safety review of all the Atomic Power Stations in the country; and
- (d) if so, by when and the details thereof, State-wise?

**ANSWER**

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

- (a) Yes Sir. The safety review of Rajasthan Atomic Power Station (RAPS) Units 3&4 at Rawatbhata was carried out by the Operational Safety Review Team (OSART) of the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) at the request of the Government of India during October 29 to November 14, 2012.
- (b) The OSART identified a series of good practices at the station, to be shared by IAEA with the global nuclear industry as well as made suggestions where operations in the units could be further improved. The final report of the OSART has not been received. The recommendations/suggestions of the OSART are reviewed for systemic change.
- (c)&(d) The safety reviews of the Indian nuclear power plants are carried out periodically by the regulatory authority, the Atomic Energy Regulatory Board (AERB). In addition, international peer reviews are also carried out by experts of the World Association of Nuclear Operators (WANO). Post Fukushima, Government decided to get the safety of RAPS Units 3&4 reviewed by the OSART of IAEA also, which has been completed.

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