NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS

2082 Shri K. J. Alphons:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the country is pursuing the idea to set up nuclear power plants;

(b) if so, the status of the proposed projects; and

(c) whether the global community is not phasing out nuclear power plants?

ANSWER

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

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government has accorded administrative approval and financial sanction for ten (10) indigenous Pressurized Heavy Water Reactors (PHWRs) with an aggregate capacity of 7000 MW to be set up in fleet mode. Presently, pre-project activities including land acquisition (where land is not available / acquired), obtaining statutory clearances, geo technical investigations, various studies, development of site infrastructure, construction of R&R colony, etc. are in progress at the sites. These reactors are planned to be setup progressively by the year 2031. More nuclear power reactors are planned in future.

(c) No, Sir. Most of the countries with nuclear power are continuing with their programs and several new entrants are also setting up nuclear power plants.

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