

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY  
**LOK SABHA**  
**STARRED QUESTION NO. 340**  
ANSWERED ON 18.12.2024

**IMPACT ASSESSMENT OF GORAKHPUR NUCLEAR POWER PLANT**

\*340. SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:-

- (a) whether the Government has made any impact assessment of the Gorakhpur Nuclear Power Plant on the local water supply;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether special provisions have been made to engage local youth in the plant; and
- (d) if so, the expected employment generation and total employment generated till date?

**ANSWER**

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

(a) to (d) A statement is placed on the Table of the House.

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Government of India  
Department of Atomic Energy

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.\*340  
(20<sup>th</sup> POSITION) DUE FOR ANSWER ON 18.12.2024 BY SHRI ASADUDDIN OWAISI  
REGARDING IMPACT ASSESSMENT OF GORAKHPUR NUCLEAR POWER PLANT

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- (a) Yes.
- (b) A comprehensive Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) of setting up nuclear power plants at Gorakhpur in Haryana (Gorakhpur Haryana Anu Vidyut Pariyojana - GHAVP) including the impact on local water supply was carried out as a part of obtaining environmental clearance for the project from the MoEF&CC.
- (c) Special provisions for relaxations in the age and marks have been made in engagement provisions for Project Affected Persons. Further, preference to suitable local youth is a part of engagement provisions of various contracts. Skill development programmes, scholarships and sponsorships for higher education to the meritorious students in the local area are also provided as a part of Corporate Social Responsibility activities.
- (d) The Gorakhpur Nuclear Power Project comprises of two twin units of 700 MW each viz. GHAVP-1&2 (2X700 MW) and GHAVP-3&4 (2X700MW). During its peak construction time, around 8000 persons are estimated to be employed at GHAVP which follows a bell curve. Once operational, each of the twin unit stations are estimated to employ (both direct & indirect) around 2000 persons. In addition, there is a large potential for employment with contractors/vendors and business opportunities that will emerge consequent to increase in economic activities at the site. At present a total of 3080 persons are engaged in GHAVP, out of which 1339 belong to the state of Haryana.

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