

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
ATOMIC ENERGY  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:397

ANSWERED ON:23.08.2006

SUPPLY OF LOW ENRICHED URANIUM BY RUSSIA

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**Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:**

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- (a) whether Russia has lately agreed to supply low enriched uranium for the Tarapur Atomic Power Station(TAPS);
- (b) if so, the details of the agreement;
- (c) whether the US and other members of the Nuclear Club had objected to the deal;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor and the Government's response thereto;
- (e) whether the Tarapur Atomic Power Station was starving for want of fuel,
- (f) if so, the extent to which the production of power had gone down;
- (g) whether Russian supplies have since been received and
- (h) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN)

(a)to(h) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 397 BY SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA AND SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN REGARDING SUPPLY OF LOW ENRICHED URANIUM BY RUSSIA FOR ANSWER ON 23.8.2006

- (a) & (b) Low Enriched Uranium (LEU) for the Tarapur Atomic Power Station Units 1&2 has already been received from Russia.
- (c) & (d) July 18, 2005 Joint statement issued during the visit of Prime Minister to Washington had recognized the need for expeditious supply of LEU to Tarapur units. All procedures have been followed.
- (e) & (f) With the timely availability of fuel supplies from Russia, Tarapur Atomic Power Station (Units 1&2) will be able to sustain production.
- (g)&(h) Yes, Sir as mentioned in (a)&(b) above.