GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ATOMIC ENERGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:98 ANSWERED ON:22.11.2006 PURCHASE OF URANIUM FROM AUSTRALIA Lagadapati Shri Rajagopal;Singh Shri Dushyant

Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has a proposal to buy Uranium from Australia;
- (b) if so, whether any memorandum of understanding (MoU) has been signed in this regard;
- (c) if so, the details thereof including the total quantum of uranium proposed to be purchased from that country; and
- (d) the likely impact of MoU on the prospects of getting uranium from other countries?

Answer

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

(a) Government of India is exploring the possibility of international cooperation in civil nuclear energy with all potential countries.

(b) No, Sir.

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(c)&(d) Do not arise