

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ATOMIC ENERGY
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1486
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SETTING UP NUCLEAR PLANT IN NORTH-EAST REGION
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Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has constituted a Committee to study the techno-economic feasibility of setting up a nuclear plant in the Northeast Region;
- (b) if so, the details of the recommendations made by this committee;
- (c) whether the safety and security aspects required in respect of these have been adequately addressed to; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE AND MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN)

(a) to (d) A Study Group has been constituted to explore the possibility of setting up a nuclear power reactor in Meghalaya/North East Region. This is essentially to evaluate a site and check the suitability of current designs of nuclear power reactors. Response of Government of Meghalaya is awaited for interaction in this regard.