

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
ATOMIC ENERGY  
LOK SABHA**

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NUCLEAR SECURITY SUMMIT  
Sule Supriya

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

- (a) whether looking to play a proactive role at the US-sponsored Nuclear Security Summit in Washington on April12-13, India has offered to set up the first ever international centre on nuclear security in India;
- (b) if so, whether this decision has received a positive response;
- (c) if so, whether this will form one of the key outcome of the summit;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether India has offered to fully fund and set up this centre of excellence;
- (f) if so, the time by which the centre is likely to be setup; and
- (g) the amount spent so far in this regard?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES (INDEPENDENT CHARGE), PMO, PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN):

(a) to (d) Prime Minister announced on 13 April 2010 at the Nuclear Security Summit in Washington, that India will establish a Global Centre for Nuclear Energy Partnership. The Centre will be owned and managed by the Government. It will be open to international participation through academic exchanges, training and research and development efforts. The Centre is aimed at strengthening India's cooperation with the international community in the areas of advanced nuclear energy systems, nuclear security, radiological safety, and radiation technology applications in areas such as health, food and industry. There was positive response to this initiative at the Nuclear Security Summit.

(e) to (g) A phased approach will be followed for setting up of the Centre and no expenditure has so far been incurred on the Centre.