

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ATOMIC ENERGY
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3563
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NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS ALONG COASTLINES
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Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has recently conducted any study to explore the possibility of setting up nuclear plants along the vast coastline of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Environment Ministry has objected to setting up these plants; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken to resolve the differences between the Ministries?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIV. NARAYANASAMY) :

(a)&(b) The Site Selection Committee (SSC) of the central government had evaluated coastal sites offered by States for setting up nuclear power parks of 6000-10000 MW comprising of large capacity reactors based on international co-operation. Based on the recommendations of the SSC, the central government has accorded 'in principle' approval of new coastal sites at Kowada in Andhra Pradesh, Chhaya Mithi Virdi in Gujarat and Haripur in West Bengal and the full potential of the previously approved sites at Kudankulam in Tamilnadu and Jaitapur in Maharashtra.

- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) Does not arise.