

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
ATOMIC ENERGY  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:141  
ANSWERED ON:10.08.2011  
CIVIL NUCLEAR AGREEMENTS  
M.Thambidurai Dr.

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

- (a) the names of the countries with whom India has signed civil nuclear agreements;
- (b) whether India has signed a similar agreement with Kazakhstan;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the agreement gives the Indian reactors access to uranium from the central Asian country;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the benefits that are likely to accrue to India from such agreements?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS AND IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY) :

(a) to (f) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.141 FOR ANSWER ON 10.08.2011 BY DR. M. THAMBIDURAI ON CIVIL NUCLEAR AGREEMENTS

(a) Following the decision of the Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG) on 6 September 2008 to relax its guidelines to permit civil nuclear cooperation, India has entered into agreements for peaceful uses of nuclear energy with France, USA, Russia, Namibia, Mongolia, UK, Canada, Argentina, Kazakhstan and Republic of Korea. The agreement between the Government of the Republic of India and the Government of the erstwhile Czechoslovak Socialist Republic on Cooperation in the field of the use of nuclear energy for peaceful purposes signed in November, 1966 has been revalidated for cooperation with the Czech Republic in November, 2010.

(b) Yes Sir.

(c) An Agreement between the Government of the Republic of India and the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan for Cooperation in the Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy was signed on 16.04.2011. The Agreement has not yet come into force.

(d)to(f) The objective of the Agreement with Kazakhstan is to establish a legal framework for mutually beneficial cooperation in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy including exploration and mining of uranium and other natural resources relevant to the exploitation of nuclear energy.