GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ATOMIC ENERGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:694 ANSWERED ON:08.07.2009 PRIVATE SECTOR IN NUCLEAR POWER GENERATION Sidhu Shri Navjot Singh

Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any suggestions to allow private sector participation in nuclear power generation by amending the "Atomic Energy Act, 1962";

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

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

(a) & (b) Suggestions to amend the Atomic Energy Act, 1962 to allow private sector to participate in nuclear power generation have been received by the Government.

(c) Indian private sector can participate in nuclear power generation projects as a minority partner under the present Atomic Energy Act.