

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
ATOMIC ENERGY  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2349  
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EIA OF JAITAPUR NUCLEAR POWER PROJECT  
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**Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether environmental organization Greenpeace and US geologists have suggested to conduct another Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and earthquake impact for the Jaitapur Nuclear Power Project;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the reasons for taking off project despite these scientific and environmental concerns;
- (d) whether any recent measures have been taken to address these concerns; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) & (b) Greenpeace organization in a press release dated November 23, 2011 has quoted a paper in Current Science journal regarding seismicity at Jaitapur by two geologists, Roger Bilham and Vinod Gaur, suggesting a redoing of Environment Impact assessment (EIA) studies.

(c) & (d) The seismic data and opinions of experts have been considered while arriving at seismic related inputs for design of the nuclear reactors. The issues raised in the paper in Current Science journal has also been considered while arriving at the design parameters. The same was clarified by Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited (NPCIL) through a press release. The Environmental clearance for the Jaitapur project was granted by the Ministry of Environment & Forests (MoEF) after careful consideration of all relevant facts.

(e) Does not arise in view of reply to (c) & (d) above.