GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ATOMIC ENERGY LOK SABHA

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ATOMIC POWER PLANTS
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Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the locations where Atomic Power Plants (APPs) are under construction in the country post Indo-US Nuclear Deal and the places where atomic power plants are proposed to be set up;
- (b) the quantum of electricity estimated to be generated from these power plants, plant-wise and the time by which power generation is likely to start;
- (c) the locations where protests are going on; and
- (d) the details of the concerns raised by protesters, plant-wise?

Answer

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

(a)&(b) Post International cooperation, construction has been started on two indigenous nuclear power projects in the year 2010 and 2011 viz. Kakrapar Atomic Power Project Units 3&4 (KAPP Units 3&4 - 2X700 MW) at Kakrapar in Gujarat and Rajasthan Atomic Power Project Units 7&8 (RAPP Units 7&8 - 2X700 MW) at Rawatbhata in Rajasthan. As per schedule power generation from these four units, amounting to 2800 MW, is planned to begin by end of XII Five Year Plan. In addition, the construction of six indigenous nuclear power projects are planned to commence during XII Five year Plan. The details thereof are as under:

Indigenous Reactors

Project Location Capacity (MW)

Gorakhpur, Units 1&2 Gorakhpur, Haryana 2X700

Chutka, Units 1&2 Chutka, Madhya Pradesh 2X700

Mahi Banswara, Mahi Banswara, Rajasthan 2X700

Units 1&2

Kaiga, Units 5&6 Kaiga, Karnataka 2X700

Fast Breeder Kalpakkam, Tamil Nadu 2X500

Reactor Units 1&2

Advanced Heavy Site to be decided 300

Water Reactor

Project Location Capacity (MW)

Kudankulam Units 3&4 Kudankulam, Tamil Nadu 2X1000

Jaitapur Units 1&2 Jaitapur, Maharashtra 2X1650

Kovvadda Units 1&2 Kovvada, Andhra Pradesh 2X1500

Chhaya Mithi Virdi Chhaya Mithi Virdi, Gujarat 2X1100 Units 1&2

The power generation from the proposed projects is planned to commence in the XIII/ earlyXIV Five Year Plan period based on their actual start date.

(c)&(d) There has been opposition by certain sections of the people at most of the new sites, mainly on issues of compensation, Resettlement & Rehabilitation (R&R) and apprehensions about safety of nuclear power plants.