

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ATOMIC ENERGY
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) whether in view of the violent protests against the proposed Kudankulam and Jaitapur Nuclear Power Plants, the Nuclear Power Corporation of India Ltd. has launched a nation wide organised campaign to allay the public apprehensions regarding radioactive radiations from these plants;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a) to (c) The ongoing public outreach programmes were intensified following the Fukushima incident to allay the people's apprehensions about safety of nuclear power, radiation and other related aspects in a credible and structured manner. Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited (NPCIL) has scaled up these programmes adopting a multi-pronged approach. The focus of the outreach have been the local community, decision makers & people's representatives, press and media, students & teachers, opinion makers, and the public at large. The efforts included creation of appropriate public awareness materials and their dissemination to all target groups.