GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ATOMIC ENERGY LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the French electricity giant Areva has reportedly increased the price of 1650 MW Evolutionary Pressurized Reactor (EPR) from Euro 3.5 billion to 8.5 billion;
- (b) if so, the number of EPR reactors proposed to be purchased from Areva at higher cost for the Jaitapur nuclear power plant and the estimated loss to the exchequer as a result thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to look for alternate suppliers or negotiate with Areva for reduction in price; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

- (a) The techno-commercial offer given by M/s. Areva, France to devise appropriate business model for scope of work, cost etc., for the Jaitapur Nuclear Power Plant to arrive at viable tariff and project proposal will be subject to outcome of ongoing discussions with them.
- (b)to(d) Does not arise