

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ATOMIC ENERGY
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2403
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GENERATION OF POWER
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Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the installed capacity of power generation of Kudankulam Atomic Power Plant (KKNPP);
- (b) whether the plant is generating power according to its installed capacity;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the steps taken/being taken by the Government to produce the power according to installed capacity;
- (e) whether the plant is being shut down intermittently due to safety reasons; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

- (a) The installed capacity of the Kudankulam Nuclear Power Project (KKNPP) Units 1&2 will be 2000 MW comprising two units of 1000 MW each.
- (b)to(d) KKNPP Unit-1 was connected to the Southern grid on October 22, 2013. The Unit has since been under advanced stage of commissioning at progressively increasing power levels reaching 75% power level recently. The power will be raised further to 90% and full power after completion of prescribed tests and accord of the stage-wise clearances by the Atomic Energy Regulatory Board (AERB). KKNPP Unit-2 is presently under commissioning. Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited (NPCIL) is following all aspects of the prescribed commissioning tests and procedures, under the oversight of AERB, to achieve successful commercial operation at full installed capacity, in both these units.
- (e) No, Sir.
- (f) Does not arise.