

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3168  
ANSWERED ON:09.12.2009  
IMPACT OF NUCLEAR PROGRAMME OF MYANMAR  
Tewari Shri Manish

**Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether Myanmar is trying to develop a Nuclear Weapons Programme;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has any information that validates or invalidates these reports especially reports that suggest that scientists from DPR Korea and Pakistan are assisting this programme by working in it;
- (d) If so, the details thereof;
- (e) Whether the Government has made any assessment about the impact of this programme on the security situation in South Asia especially since Myanmar has not denied the existence of the programme; and
- (f) if so, the outcome thereof?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI S.M. KRISHNA)

- (a) to (d) Government has seen media reports regarding development of nuclear projects in Myanmar reportedly in collaboration with DPRK and Pakistan. These reports are, however, unconfirmed.
- (e) & (f) Government continues to monitor all such developments and remains fully committed to taking all necessary steps to safeguard India's security and national interests.