## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ATOMIC ENERGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4210 ANSWERED ON:16.12.2009 SHUTDOWN OF CIRUS REACTOR Hegde Shri Anant Kumar;Sharma Shri Jagdish;Shetkar Shri Suresh Kumar

## Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to shutdown the research reactor ``CIRUS' at Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC);

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reasons therefor?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES (INDEPENDENT CHARGE), PMO, PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS(SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN)

(a) Yes, Sir.It has been planned to shutdown the Research Reactor "CIRUS' at BARC, Trombay, Mumbai by December, 2010.

(b) & (c) The decision to shutdown this reactor permanently in December 2010 has been taken, taking into account that its useful life is coming to an end.