GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ATOMIC ENERGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3937 ANSWERED ON:17.12.2014 OBSTACLES IN SETTING UP ATOMIC POWER PLANTS Hansdak Shri Vijay Kumar

Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is facing any difficulties / obstacles in setting up atomic power plants in various parts of the country including Nawada, Bihar; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the action taken / being taken to overcome such obstacles?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS AND PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (DR.JITENDRA SINGH):

(a)&(b) Difficulties are generally being faced in acquiring land at new sites proposed for location of nuclear power plants, for which 'in principle' approval is accorded by the Government . The Nuclear Power Corporation of India Ltd (NPCIL) and the Department of Atomic Energy (DAE) are closely working with state governments to expedite land acquisition.

As regards the proposed site at Rajauli in Nawada, Bihar, based on first order evaluation, the nodal agency set up for this purpose in the Government of Bihar is exploring the possibilities for making the required quantity of water available for setting up a nuclear power station. The Site Selection Committee of the Department of Atomic Energy is also actively engaged with the nodal agency of the Government of Bihar in this regard.