GOVERNMENT OF INDIA ATOMIC ENERGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:899 ANSWERED ON:16.07.2014 SETTING UP OF NUCLEAR REACTORS Singh Shri Hukum

Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to build nuclear reactors with the help of the French Company Areva;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any time limit has been fixed for setting up these nuclear reactors; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the names of places where these nuclear reactors are proposed to be set up?

Answer

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

- (a) Yes, Sir;
- (b) Pursuant to the inter-governmental agreement between India and France in 2008, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited (NPCIL) and Areva, France to set up six units of Areva's Evolutionary Pressurised Water Reactors, each of 1650 MW, in phases of two units, at Jaitapur, Maharashtra was signed.
- (c)&(d) In respect of reactors proposed at Jaitapur in Maharashtra, a General Framework Agreement (excluding commercial aspects) and Early Works Agreement have been signed between NPCIL and Areva for setting up the first set of twin units (JNPP 1&2). The start of work on the first set of twin units–JNPP1&2 (2x1650 MW) is planned after conclusion of techno-commercial agreements, in the XII Five Year Plan.