GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OFATOMIC ENERGY RAJYA SABHA QUESTION NO18.11.2010

ANSWERED ON

AGREEMENT WITH FRANCE FOR NUCLEAR REACTORS.

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Will the Minister of COALCOALCOALCOALATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state :-

- (a) whether an agreement with France has been entered into for setting up of two 1650 MW reactors recently;
- (b) whether any time-frame has been fixed for commissioning of the above projects; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS

(SHRI V NARAYANASAMY):

(a)to(c)Yes Sir. An Inter-Governmental Agreement (IGA) between India & France was signed on 30th September, 2008. IGA, inter-alia provided for construction of six 1650MW reactors. Pursuant to that, a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for setting up of 6 x 1650 MW Light Water Reactors (LWRs) in a phased manner at Jaitapur in Maharashtra has been entered into between Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited (NPCIL) and AREVA, France on 4th February, 2009. The negotiations on techno-commercial offer are in final stage. The work on first set of twin reactor is expected to commence in the year 2012 with a completion period of the about six years.