GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 333 FOR ANSWER ON 13.12.2018

INDIAN PUSH FOR NUCLEAR SUPPLIERS GROUP

333. SHRI A.K. SELVARAJ:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is no headway in India's push for the Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG):
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the NSG has said that it discussed NSG relationship with India and continues to consider all matters pertaining to implementation of 2008 NSG waiver for India; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS [GEN. (DR) V. K. SINGH (RETD)]

- (a) & (b) India's membership of the Nuclear Suppliers Group (NSG) continues to be under its consideration. The Government continues to engage with members of the NSG, at the appropriate levels, for an early decision on India's membership of the Group. India has received support from a large number of members of the NSG.
- (c) & (d) As per the public statement issued on the occasion of the 2018 Plenary meeting of the NSG (Jurmala, Latvia, 14-15 June 2018), the Group continued to consider all aspects of the implementation of the 2008 Statement of Civil Nuclear Cooperation with India and discussed the NSG's relationship with India.
