GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *35 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.12.2018

TARAPUR ATOMIC POWER STATION

*35. SHRI RAJENDRA D. GAVIT:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is working on any plan for the development and upliftment of people affected by the Tarapur Atomic Power Station in Maharashtra;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government is making any provision to provide free education to the children of these affected people; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

(a)to(d) A statement is placed on the Table of the House.

Government of India Department of Atomic Energy

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *35 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 12.12.2018 BY SHRI RAJENDRA D. GAVIT REGARDING TARAPUR ATOMIC POWER STATION.

(a)&(b)The Project Affected Persons (PAPs) at Tarapur were rehabilitated in line with the rehabilitation package formulated by the Maharashtra Government as per the Maharashtra Rehabilitation of Project Affected Persons (MRPAP) Act, 1999.

For upliftment and development of PAPs several programmes are implemented and these are on-going. These include providing civic amenities, Healthcare, Education & Skill Development, Infrastructure, Sanitation and Sustainable Development through Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR).

Diversified Initiatives to enable PAPs for securing employment/ livelihood are implemented. These include,

- Relaxation in age and percentage of marks in qualifying criteria in recruitment to Group C posts advertised by TAPS.
- Recruitment examination question papers in Marathi language.
- Preference to PAPs employment in the contracts awarded by TAPS.
- Award of Services and maintenance contracts to PAPs.
- Special dispensation through allotment of Shops in TAPS Township.
- (c)&(d)Education, for the surrounding population including PAPs, is an important on-going programme implemented through CSR. This is essentially to enable PAPs and other locals in upgrading their potential and skills. The programme provides for development / up gradation of schools infrastructure through construction of classrooms & toilets, providing drinking water, provision of computers, pedagogy and study material.

A Societal Enrichment and Education Programme (SEEP), for tribal and rural communities in and around Tarapur Atomic Power Station (TAPS) have been implemented and on-going. The programme is providing free education, monthly scholarship, medical facilities, school uniforms, textbooks and notebooks to selected students.
