GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *297 TO BE ANSWERED ON 23.03.2022

NUCLEAR RADIATION

*297. PROF. SOUGATA RAY:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken precautionary measures to counter the nuclear radiation caused by nuclear disaster, if any, due to Russia-Ukraine conflict:
- (b) if so, the details of such precautionary measures;
- (c) whether the Russia-Ukraine conflict will impact the safety and security of Kudankulam Reactor in Tamil Nadu;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether any demand has come up to scrap the Kudankulam reactor due to the threat of nuclear radiation; and
- (f) 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 (f) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Government of India Department of Atomic Energy

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *297 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 23.03.2022 BY PROF. SOUGATA RAY REGARDING NUCLEAR RADIATION.

- (a)&(b) The consequence of any possible nuclear disaster due to the Russia-Ukraine conflict is not envisaged to have a radiation impact in India. The Indian Environmental Radiation Monitoring Network (IERMON) established across the country continuously monitors the background radiation level to give early indications of any increase in the radiation level. In an unlikely scenario of radiation level exceeding acceptable limit within the country, radiation emergency response plan is available to handle the situation.
- (c) No, Sir.
- (d) Not applicable
- (e) No, Sir.
- (f) Not applicable
