GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.318

TO BE ANSWERED ON 22.07.2015

SUPPLY OF URANIUM

318. SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE:

SHRI ARKA KESHARI DEO: SHRI JAYADEV GALLA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has signed an agreement with Canada for supply of Uranium during the recent visit of Prime Minister to that country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the schedule of delivery and the duration of the agreement period;
- (c) whether there is any clause to extend the supply of uranium and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of other countries with whom India has signed Memorandum of Understanding for supply of uranium for nuclear power plants in the country?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) The Department of Atomic Energy (DAE) has signed a Contract with M/s. CAMECO, Canada on 15.4.2015 for procurement of 3000 MT of Uranium Ore Concentrate (UOC) over a period of six years during 2015-2020, as detailed below:

Delivery Year	Delivery Quantity (in kg U as U_3O_8 and pounds of U_3O_8)
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2015	250,000 kg U as U ₃ O ₈ (649947.5 pounds of U ₃ O ₈)
2016	750,000 kg U as U ₃ O ₈ (1949843.1 pounds of U ₃ O ₈)
2017	500,000 kg U as U ₃ O ₈ (1299895.6 pounds of U ₃ O ₈)
2018	500,000 kg U as U ₃ O ₈ (1299895.6 pounds of U ₃ O ₈)
2019	500,000 kg U as U ₃ O ₈ (1299895.6 pounds of U ₃ O ₈)
2020	250,000* kg U as U ₃ O ₈ (649947.5 pounds of U ₃ O ₈)

^{*} There is a provision to increase annual quantity of procurement in the Year 2020 to 500,000 Kg. by providing a written notice to M/s. CAMECO on or before December 31, 2018.

- (c) Yes, Sir. As per the Contract signed on 15.4.2015, either Party i.e., DAE or M/s. CAMECO may request the addition of Delivery Years and the corresponding Annual Quantities for years beyond 2020 by giving the other Party a request notice prior to December 31, 2019, specifying the same.
- (d) During September 2013, DAE has entered into a Contract with M/s. Navoi Mining & Metallurgical Combinat State Company (NMMC), Uzbekistan for import of 2000 MT of Uranium Ore Concentrate,. DAE has also signed a contract with M/s. Kazatomprom, Kazakhstan on 08.07.2015 for supply of 5000 MT of UOC.
