GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.482 TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.12.2021

PLAN TO BUILD NUCLEAR REACTORS

482. Shri Sushil Kumar Gupta:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government in partnership with the private sector has any plan to build the required number of nuclear reactors for country's clean energy;
- (b) if so, the progress made so far in this regard; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

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

- (a) Government has already made a breakthrough by allowing joint venture. Meanwhile, the Indian private sector is participating in the nuclear power sector through supply of equipment and services, which has been increasing over time.
- (b) As part of the 'Atma Nirbhar Bharat' initiatives of Department of Atomic Energy (DAE), the Atomic Energy Commission has given in-principle approval for construction of a research reactor in PPP mode for production of medical isotopes. DAE has engaged in preliminary technical discussions with various private entities in this regard.
 - (c) Does not arise in view of (b) above.
