GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 961

TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.12.2022

Security and surveillance projects in atomic and nuclear power stations

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Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has initiated advanced and state of the art electronic security and surveillance projects in various atomic and nuclear power stations of Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited including Kakrapar Atomic Power Station (KAPS), Madras Atomic Power Station (MAPS) at Kalpakkam and Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant (KNPP) 1&2, 3&4 at Kudankulam in the State Tamil Nadu;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the projects executed during the last five years and their value; and
- (c) the total funds allocated and utilised for the same?

ANSWER

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

- (a)&(b)Security is accorded highest priority in NPCIL and adequate measures are taken to ensure that it is maintained at the state of the art. Besides other provisions, Electronic Security and Surveillance systems, like Perimeter Intrusion Detection System, Access Control System, X-Ray Baggage Inspection System, CCTV monitoring System, etc are in place at all operating Nuclear Power Stations (Including KAPS-1&2, MAPS, KKNPP-1&2). These systems are implemented as an integral part of the Nuclear Power Plants and subjected to periodic audits, reviews and necessary upgrades. The Electronic Security & Surveillance provisions are under implementation for the under construction nuclear power projects viz., RAPP-7&8, KAPP-3&4 and KKNPP-3&4.
- (c) Adequate funds are allocated for upkeep and upgradation of these systems. The expenditure incurred for upkeep and upgradation of these provisions during the last five years (2017-18 to 2021-22) was about Rs. 101.82 crore.
