## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY RAJYASABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.\*92 TO BE ANSWERED ON 15.12.2022

## **Nuclear energy partnerships**

\*92 Shri P. Wilson:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of new research centres and development sectors for research and learning about innovative use of atomic energy that have been established across the country including the State of Tamil Nadu;
- (b) the details of funds that have been disbursed and allocated for the purpose;
- (c) the number of nuclear energy partnerships which have been created with global establishments across the country including Tamil Nadu; and
- (d) If so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

## **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.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. \*92 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 15.12.2022 BY SHRI P. WILSON REGARDING NUCLEAR ENERGY FOR PARTNERSHIPS

- (a) Setting up of Incubation Centres (ICs) in all R&D Institutions of Department of Atomic Energy (DAE) is one of the initiatives for DAE under Atma Nirbhar Bharat Abhiyan (ANB). Accordingly, 5 Incubation Centres have been set up at R&D Institutions namely Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC), Mumbai, Indira Gandhi Centre for Atomic Research (IGCAR), Kalpakkam, Raja Ramanna Centre for Advanced Technology (RRCAT), Indore, Variable Energy Cyclotron Centre (VECC), Kolkata and Institute for Plasma Research (IPR), Ahmedabad under the umbrella of Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) of NITI Aayog.
- (b) As for BARC, Incubation Centre under AIM has been approved by NITI Aayog on 22<sup>nd</sup> August, 2022 and funds of Rs. 3.4 Crores have been received from NITI Aayog by BARC. As far as ICs of other 4 R&D Institutions are concerned, process to get them approved under AIM of NITI Aayog has been initiated.
- (c)&(d) The Government of India has entered into Inter-Government Agreements (IGAs) with the Russian Federation for setting up Kudankulam Nuclear Power Projects comprising of 6 units of 1000 MW each. Two units KKNPP 1&2 (2x1000 MW) are in operation and construction for four units KKNPP 3&4 (2X1000 MW and KKNPP 5&6 (2X1000 MW) is under way.

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