

PROVISIONALLY ADMITTED QUESTION FOR THE RAJYA SABHA

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The Question Will be put down for -- 26/03/2020

Answer on the Ministry Department -- Atomic Energy(AE)

Developing thorium based nuclear reactors

Shri Mahesh Poddar:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that out of the 63,55,000 tonnes of thorium resources available globally, India has 8.46 lakh tonnes, highest in the world;
- (b) if so, what progress the country has made in developing thorium-based nuclear reactors;
- (c) whether it is a fact that India generates 6780 MW of electricity from nuclear stations;
- (d) if so, whether the country can expect to reach the proposed target of tripling the nuclear capacity by 2024 and further reaching the target of 22,480 MW by 2031; and
- (e) if so, lay the roadmap for the same?