

PROVISIONALLY ADMITTED QUESTION FOR THE RAJYA SABHA

Starred /Unstarred Diary No.-- U1220

The Question Will be put down for -- 28/07/2022

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

Status of AHWR and Monzite sand reserves

Shri M. Mohamed Abdulla:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of Advanced Heavy Water Reactor (AHWR) and the expected date of achieving criticality and operationalisation;
- (b) the total quantity of Thorium-rich Monazite sand reserves found in the State of Tamil Nadu;
- (c) whether Government has proposed any roadmap for the restrictions on the export of such monazite abundant sand; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?