

Soviet offer for a nuclear Plant in India

***77. SHRIMATI AMARJIT KAUR:**
SHRI RAMANAND YADAV:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Soviet Union have offered to set up a giant size nuclear power plant in India;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Soviet proposal involves new technology in Atomic power plants;

(c) if so, whether the details of the proposal and the capacity of the proposed plant have been studied by Government; and

(d) if so, what is the decision taken in this regard?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRIMATI INDIRA GANDHI): (a) to (d) The Soviet Union has offered assistance in setting up a nuclear power station in India. An Indian delegation is presently visiting the Soviet Union to ascertain various technical details of the offer. Based on the report of the delegation the Government will examine the offer from various angles before taking a final decision.

Security of M.Ps. residing in the V.P. House

***78. SHRI DHARAM CHANDER PRASHANT:** Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that some locks of Vithalbhai Patel House at Rafi Marg, New Delhi, where Members of Parliament stay, were found broken some time back when they were out of Delhi; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken for the security of the M.Ps residing in the V.P. House?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. VENKATASUBBAIAH): (a) There has been one such incident in the month of October, 1982.

(b) The following steps have been taken:—

1. Police patrolling round the clock in this area has been intensified.

2. One Constable with wireless set has been posted at the Police Assistance Booth, installed at the gate of Vithal Bhai Patel House, to keep strict watch over the activities of unauthorised and suspicious persons roaming around the said place.

3. One Head Constable has been detailed during vulnerable period to check the entry of suspicious persons.

SALAM STEEL PLANT

***79. SHRI U.R. KRISHNAN:** Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a proposal under Government's consideration to convert the Salem Steel Plant in Tamil Nadu into an integrated Steel Plant; and

(b) if so, by when Govt. propose to do so, and if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI N. K. P. SALVE): (a) There is no proposal at this stage to expand the Salam Plant to an integrated steel plant.

(b) Does not arise.