THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY): (a) All the four units of Tarapur Atomic Power Station are in operation and no decision is taken to close them.

(b) The generation of electricity from TAPS 1 to 4 in the year 2009-10 and 2010-11 (upto October, 2010), unit-wise is as follows :-

Unit	Generation in Million Units	
	2009-10	2010-11 (upto Oct.)
TAPS-1	1199	686
TAPS-2	1251	812
TAPS-3	2787	1743
TAPS-4	2754	1632

Attitude of US towards Nuclear Liability Bill

2488. SHRI TARUN VIJAY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state the attitude of US Government towards Nuclear Liability Bill, specially in the wake of their open objection to the Bill's clause 17(B)?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY): Some potential suppliers have raised certain issues mainly relating to application of right of recourse of the operator, as provided in section 17 (b) of the Civil Liability for Nuclear Damage Act, 2010. In the November 8, 2010 Joint Statement of Hon'ble Prime Minister Dr. Manmohan Singh and US President Barack Obama, the two leaders noted both countries had enacted domestic legislations and were also signatories to the Convention on Supplementary Compensation (CSC). They further noted that India intends to ratify the CSC within the coming year and is committed to ensuring a level playing field for US companies seeking to enter the Indian nuclear energy sector, consistent with India's national and international legal obligations.

Shortage of manpower in culture institutions

2489. SHRI ISHWAR SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is seized of the crisis-ridden existence of the country's top cultural institutions like National Museum, National Library, Archaeological Survey of India and National Archives, etc., due to lack of professional manpower at middle rung; and

(b) whether Government had earlier proposed to set up a search-cum-selection committee to recruit professional manpower instead of going *via* the UPSC selection route?