

(b) No, Sir. Nuclear power plants are located at sites which meet the criteria laid down in the Atomic Energy Regulatory Board (AERB) Code on Safety in Siting of nuclear power plants.

(c) and (d) All plants are designed for postulated design basis accidents, such that in case of such an accident no member of the public will get exposed to radiation dose beyond acceptable limits, thereby, ensuring that there would be no long term impact on the humans near the plant. Even for beyond design basis accidents, where the radiation exposure to some members of the public could be higher, the probability of suffering long term health effects caused by such radiation exposure is very low.

**Disposal of grievances of public before construction of nuclear projects**

1403. SHRI BHARATSINH PRABHATSINH PARMAR:

SHRI PARSHOTTAM KHODABHAI RUPALA:

SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what action has been taken by Government in consultation with State Governments for prior disposal of grievances of local residents where new projects are being set up, as it has been observed that even when Kudankulam Nuclear Plant is already erected and ready to start but due to local agitations the project not yet started, which is huge revenue loss to the nation; and

(b) whether Department of Atomic Energy intends to sponsor medical colleges or educational institutes in Gujarat, keeping in view of proposed nuclear power plant in Gujarat for social obligation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY): (a) The issues related to compensation as well as Resettlement and Rehabilitation (R&R) are addressed by Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited (NPCIL) in consultation with the respective state governments. The apprehensions about the safety issues, loss of livelihood etc. are addressed through public outreach programme using multipronged approach.

(b) No, Sir.

**Implementation of new proposal of North Eastern Region**

1404. SHRI KANWAR DEEP SINGH: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state: