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		Venture Company (JVC) for taking up Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) activities of conventional island of 700 MWe Pressurised Heavy Water Reactor (PHWR) based nuclear power plant. The terms and conditions of the various agreements are under finalisation between the parties and the JVC would be formed after necessary approvals.

#### **Scheme for establishing heavy industry in Bihar**

†2777. SHRI RAM NATH THAKUR: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has formulated a scheme for establishing heavy industry in country, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) the details of the number and places in Bihar where such industries are proposed to be established?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWARA): (a) and (b) Industry is a State Subject. Hence, Department of Heavy Industry (DHI) has not formulated any scheme for establishing heavy industry in the country including Bihar.

#### **Encouragement for establishment of heavy industries**

2778. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to encourage establishment of heavy industries in various parts of the country through private as well as public sector, if so, the details thereof, State-wise and

(b) whether there is any proposal for formulation of a new national policy for development of heavy industries in the country and if so, the details thereof?

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.