- (b) The project is planned to be set up on technical cooperation basis with shared scope of work. The Indian private industry would be involved in supply of equipment, execution of the works contracts, providing services in Indian scope of work and localisation of components.
- (c) The Kudankulam site was found to have an optimum potential for locating six units each of 1000 MW by the Site Selection Committee of the Government. The Government accorded 'in principle' approval for setting up of Units 5 and 6 at Kudankulam in October, 2009, in addition to Units 1 and 2 then under construction and Units 3 and 4 which were accorded 'in principle' approval earlier. Regarding the cost of Units 5 and 6, discussions are in progress on the Techno-Commercial offer submitted by the Russian side. The cost will emerge on conclusion of the discussions.

Special financial package for North-East

1285. SHRI RIPUN BORA: Will the Minister of DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to give any special financial package to the States of North-East and hilly areas;
- (b) if so, whether Government has received proposals on packages from different States; and
 - (c) if so, the details of proposals received by Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (DR. JITENDRA SINGH): (a) to (c) ₹ 33097.02 crore has been allocated for the North Eastern Region by 56 Central Ministries/Departments including ₹ 2400 crore provided to the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER). The budget allocation to Ministry of DoNER includes funds for the Non-Lapsable Central Pool of Resources (NLCPR) Scheme and the Scheme of North Eastern Council (NEC). In addition to the above, an amount of ₹ 1000 crore has been allocated for grants to Autonomous Councils, areas covered under the Sixth Schedule of the Constitution. The Ministry has also been receiving, from time to time, proposals from State Governments including through their priority lists for possible funding under the NLCPR Scheme and NEC Schemes which have been taken up within the budgetary provisions of the Ministry.