

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ATOMIC ENERGY
LOK SABHA**

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INDO-US NUCLEAR COOPERATION
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Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have a proposal to establish Indo-US nuclear cooperation;
- (b) if so, the objectives thereof; and
- (c) the steps taken in the matter?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICAL PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SPACE (SHRI S.B. MOOKHERJEE)

- (a) Discussions have taken place on resumption of Indo-US nuclear cooperation between the respective regulatory bodies on a few selected topics.
- (b) Our objective is to develop mutually beneficial international cooperation in the area of nuclear power.
- (c) In the area of nuclear safety cooperation a mutually agreed programme is being discussed.