

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ATOMIC ENERGY
LOK SABHA**

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FUND ALLOCATION FOR NUCLEAR FUEL COMPLEX
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Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Nuclear Fuel Complex has not been able to utilise plan allocation during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the allocation vis-a-vis utilisation of fund during the said period;
- (d) the funds allocated for the current financial year; and
- (e) the steps proposed to be taken for the full utilization of allocated funds?

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 (SHRIS.B. MOOKHERJEE)

(a): Nuclear Fuel Complex has been able to fully utilize its plan allocation for financial year 2002-03.

(b): The main reasons for non-utilization of funds allocated for the financial year 2000-01 are:

Inability to import machinery/equipment due to export embargo, failure on the part of manufacturer to supply equipment as per the specifications leading to cancellation of purchase order, inability of local manufacturer to offer Vacuum Drum filter as per the designed specifications and rejection of inferior quality raw materials offered by the supplier leading to extension of delivery period.

In respect of the Financial year 2001-2003 the reasons are delay in finalisation of specification/procurement of critical equipment and delay in development of equipment indigenously.

(c): The allocation vis-a-vis the utilization of funds are as under:

(Rs.in lakh)

	2000-2001	2001-2002	2002-2003
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	Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure
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	2000.00	371.75	1200.00	797.12	1200.00	1296.18
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(d): An amount of Rs.2200 lakh has been allocated for the current financial year i.e. 2003-04.

(e): Budget assessment are being prepared based on realistic basis keeping in view the progress of the projects. The progress of capital expenditure is closely monitored by the NFC management. In fact, during 2002-03, the expenditure on capital account is more than the original budget allotment.