

Extradition of Kim Davy

525. SHRI Y.S. CHOWDARY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is planning to get Mr. Kim Davy extradited to India in arms drop case of Purulia District in West Bengal;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of action taken/being taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI PRENEET KAUR): (a) to (c) Government has made strenuous diplomatic efforts to get Mr. Niels Holck alias Kim Davy extradited from Denmark. A formal request was made to the Danish Government in April 2002 and taken up thereafter on several occasions with that Government. The Danish Government agreed to do so on April 2010 after prolonged negotiations. Mr. Niels Holck alias Kim Davy appealed against the decision of the Danish Government in the City Court which ruled against the extradition on November 1, 2010. The City Court decision was immediately appealed against by the Danish Government. The matter was heard in the Eastern Court in Denmark from 16 to 19 May, 2011. The judgment delivered on June 30, 2011 upheld the judgment of the City Court and ruled against the extradition.

Soon after the Eastern Court of Denmark gave its judgment, Government conveyed its extreme disappointment at the highest levels to the Government of Denmark and urged it to appeal against it. However, on July 7, 2011, Danish Director of Public Prosecution announced the decision not to appeal the verdict of the Eastern High Court. Government's disappointment and concerns were again conveyed to the Danish Government and it was emphasized that the judgment had grave and far-reaching implications and could only serve as an encouragement to terrorists and criminals. The grounds cited by the Danish Court as the basis for its decision were completely rejected by the Government. Government's demand for extradition of Mr. Niels Holck alias Kim Davy to India stands.

Phasing out of nuclear power after Fukushima disaster

526. SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state: