

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO - 4075
ANSWERED ON 12/08/2026
SHANTI ACT, 2025

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Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:-

- (a) the status of rules notified under the SHANTI Act, 2025 along with the details of private licences granted including reactor type and capacity;
- (b) whether the Government has any effective mechanisms to check and monitor the construction delays and cost escalations in nuclear projects and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of prescribed timelines for construction/commissioning and penalties for non-compliance by private operators; and
- (d) the rationale for restricting nuclear-related information from RTI disclosure under the SHANTI Act, 2025?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
AND PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (DR. JITENDRA SINGH)

- (a) Rules under the SHANTI Act are currently in drafting stage and will be notified in accordance with due legislative processes, and the applications for licences from private parties will then be taken into consideration.
- (b)&(c) Government regularly checks and monitors the progress of nuclear projects at various levels for timely completion, to avoid construction delays and cost escalations.
- (d) The SHANTI Act specifies that the information which are regarded as "restricted information" and disclosure of such information which are detrimental to national security and public interest are exempted from disclosure. These provisions are in alignment with the RTI Act. Further, SHANTI Act enables the Regulatory Board to ensure transparency by a planned public outreach and engagement with interested party on matter related to nuclear safety without disclosing restricted information.
