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Text of the D.O. Letter dated 7.10.2015 addressed by Selvi J Jayalalithaa, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu to Shri Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India is reproduced below:

"I am writing to bring to your kind attention the delay in recommencing the operations Kudankulam Unit-I. in Tamil Nadu has been allotted about 563 MW of power from the total of 1000 MW produced by Unit-I of Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant. The Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant which had started commercial operations on 31.12.2014, has been shut down for maintenance for the past 90 days. The Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited is yet to clearly indicate when the Kudankulam Nuclear Power Plant Unit-I will recommence production. As the wind season for Tamil Nadu has drawn to a close, it is crucial for the Kudankulam Unit-I to resume power generation immediately.

I, therefore, request you to kindly instruct the concerned officials in the Nuclear Power Corporation of India Limited to immediately take necessary action to recommence power generation in Kudankulam Unit-I.

Further, we have been informed that Kudankulam Unit-II is undergoing final stages of commissioning activities and awaiting approval from the Atomic Energy Regulatory Board (AERB) for full commercial production. I request you to kindly instruct the concerned officials to expedite the commercial operation of Kudankulam Unit-II, so that another 563 MW of power can be added to the Tamil Nadu Grid at the earliest.

May I request an immediate response in this matter?"

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