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Summary:

Short report on plans for Mikhail Gorbachev's visit to India. The Soviet Union may offer more advanced military supplies to India. Talks are already underway for Soviet assistance to India's nuclear energy industry.

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According to the information provided by a Soviet diplomat, during Gorbachev's visit to India, which is scheduled for the period between November 18th and 21st, several agreements will be signed, primarily on the further broadening of economic cooperation and on international issues, but there is also some talk of the supply of new military equipment and arms. Concerning the latter issue, he remarked that the Soviet Union would be ready to provide India with advanced military technology in the future, too.

He said that the talks about the Soviet Union's further active involvement in the construction and development of Indian nuclear power plants were in an advanced stage.

They will publish a joint communiqué on the visit.

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