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# **Rajya Sabha Q&A on the Indian Nuclear Defense Policy**

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### **Summary:**

Transcript of questions and answers between members of Rajya Sabha and the Minister of Defense, Shri Jagjivan Ram, on retired generals voting in favor of building up a nuclear capacity for defense.

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51	Written Answers	[RAJYA SABHA]	to Questions	52
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5	Haryana . . . . .		7	2
6	Jammu & Kashmir . . . . .		Nil	Nil
7	Kerala . . . . .		1	Nil
8	Madhya Pradesh . . . . .		4	Nil
9	Maharashtra . . . . .		4	1
10	Meghalaya . . . . .		Nil	Nil
11	Mysore . . . . .		1	Nil
12	Nagaland . . . . .		Nil	Nil
13	Orissa . . . . .		25	1
14	Punjab . . . . .		6	2
15	Rajasthan . . . . .		10	Nil
16	Tamil Nadu . . . . .		3	Nil
17	Uttar Pradesh . . . . .		11	2
18	West Bengal . . . . .		1	1
TOTAL .			98	14

**NUCLEAR CAPACITY FOR DEFENCE**

\*405. DR. BHAI MAHAVIR : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the views recently expressed by Shri V. Shankar former Defence Secretary and three retired Army Generals in favour of India building up a nuclear capacity for defence; and

(b) if so, the reaction of Government thereto ?

**THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE**  
SHRI JAGJIVAN RAM) : (a) Yes, sir.

(b) Government's policy on the development of nuclear weapons has been explained to the House on a number of occasions, including in the last Session.

**FLOW OF RAVI WATERS INTO PAKISTAN**

\*406. SHRI S. D. MISRA:

SHRI B. K. KAUL:

CHAUDHURY A. MOHAM-  
MAD:

**SHRI NAWAL KISHORE:**  
**SHRI SURAJ PRASAD :**  
**SARDAR GURCHARAN SINGH**  
**TOHRA:**

Will the Minister of IRRIGATION AND POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the waters of river Ravi are still flowing into Pakistan even after the expiry of the Indus Waters Treaty on 31st March last;

(b) whether any decision has been taken by the Government of India on the proposal of the Government of Punjab to construct the Thein Dam across Ravi;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and  
(d) the time by when a decision is likely to be taken in this regard ?

**THE MINISTER OF IRRIGATION**  
**AND POWER (DR. K. L. RAO) :**

(a) No Ravi water has flown down to Pakistan after the expiry of the transition period except during some period in July when it was surplus to all our canal requirements.