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MADRAS ATOMIC POWER STATION, KALPAKKAM

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PRESS RELEASE

This Press Release is in the back-drop of VARDHA Cyclone over Bay of Bengal crossed the coast close to north of Chennai in the afternoon today (12.12.2016). Madras Atomic Power Station, Kalpakkam is located at about 75 KM south of Chennai houses two nuclear power reactors.

Today both the units were operating normally and generating power of 180 MWe each. On receipt of cyclone warning, all preparatory actions have been taken and the Station Cyclone Protection Committee has been activated to continuously monitor and oversee the arrangements.

As the wind speed was very high, close to 100 KM per hour, the 230 KV power lines which carry the power from MAPS units to nearer sub-stations tripped one by one. As the power evacuation from station was not possible, both the units were tripped and brought to safe shutdown state.

After normalization of all 230 KV power lines, the units will be brought back into service in about three days.

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