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In June and July 1972, Indian capital projects and major equipment imports included plans for two atomic energy projects:

Atomic Energy Project

France is to supply financing for an Indian atomic energy project. The Banque National de Paris, on 22 June reported that it had been asked to set up a credit agreement, on the terms of the French-Indian Protocol of 20 March 1972, to finance an Indian atomic energy project. The credit was to amount to 35 million frs (ca. $6,839,000). Furthermore, the bank's client, Les Pompes Guinard, was being asked by the Department of Atomic Energy, Bombay, to supply nuclear pumps worth about 7 million frs (ca. $1,367,800) for the Madras Atomic power project. The Paris bank asked its New Delhi office to find out whether the pump order was to be charged to some portion of the credit and/or whether the Indian authorities planned a special atomic energy program valued at 35 million frs.

Atomic Power Project

Sweden is supplying material for the Madras Atomic Power Project. On 12 July, QUALITEST, Orsay, France, told Rajasthan Atomic Power Project (RAPPOWER), Bombay, that material manufactured in Sweden for the Madras Atomic Power Project had been packed and would be shipped within a short time.