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**MINISTER S ISWARAN TO ATTEND 30TH ASEAN MINISTERS ON ENERGY  
MEETING (AMEM) IN PHNOM PENH, CAMBODIA,  
12 SEPTEMBER 2012**

Minister in the Prime Minister's Office and Second Minister for Home Affairs and Trade & Industry Mr S Iswaran will attend the 30<sup>th</sup> ASEAN Ministers on Energy Meeting (AMEM) and related meetings in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, on 12 September 2012.

2 In line with the theme "ASEAN Green Connectivity", the 30<sup>th</sup> AMEM will focus on enhancing regional energy cooperation towards a greener and more energy efficient ASEAN, in a bid to mitigate the adverse effects of climate change. The Ministers will review progress on the implementation of the ASEAN Plan of Action on Energy Cooperation 2010-2015, in particular the regional connectivity projects, such as the ASEAN Power Grid and the Trans-ASEAN Gas Pipeline, while looking into other initiatives to step up efforts at ensuring secure, competitive and sustainable energy supplies for the region. Nuclear power remains a long-term option for the region's energy needs. As such, collective efforts to develop ASEAN's nuclear safety capabilities, as well as a coordinated approach on regional nuclear emergency preparedness and response mechanisms in collaboration with international partners, will also be discussed.

3 As with previous years, the ASEAN Ministers will be joined by their key energy Dialogue Partners and International Organisations, namely Australia, New Zealand, India, China, Japan, Korea, Russia, the US and the International Energy Agency (IEA).

4 Mr S Iswaran will be accompanied by officials from the Ministry of Trade and Industry and the Energy Market Authority.

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