

# **Risk as Mobiliser:**

## **Nuclear Power in India and Implications for Risk Governance**



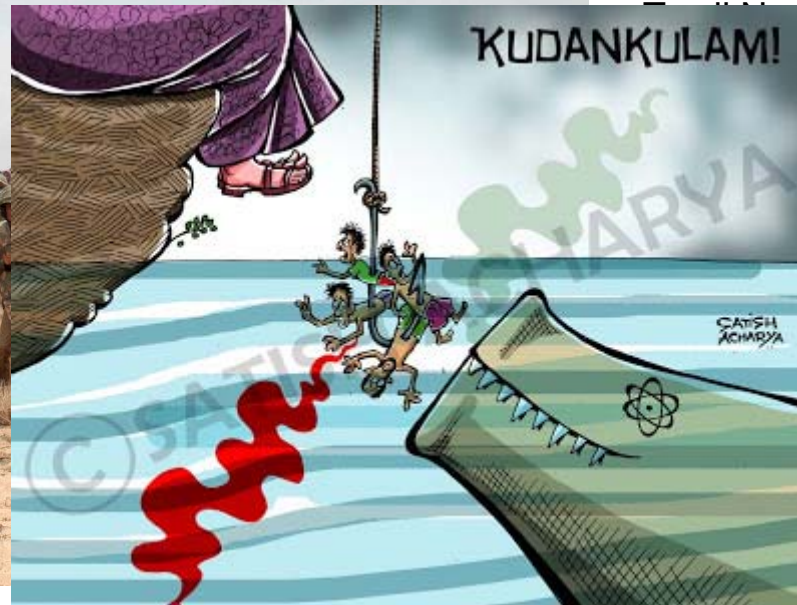
Madras Atomic Power Station I & II and India's first Fast Breeder Reactor at Kalpakkam, 70km from Chennai.  
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**THE PROBLEM: RISK AS MONSTER  
OR MOBILISER?**

# Risk as Monster



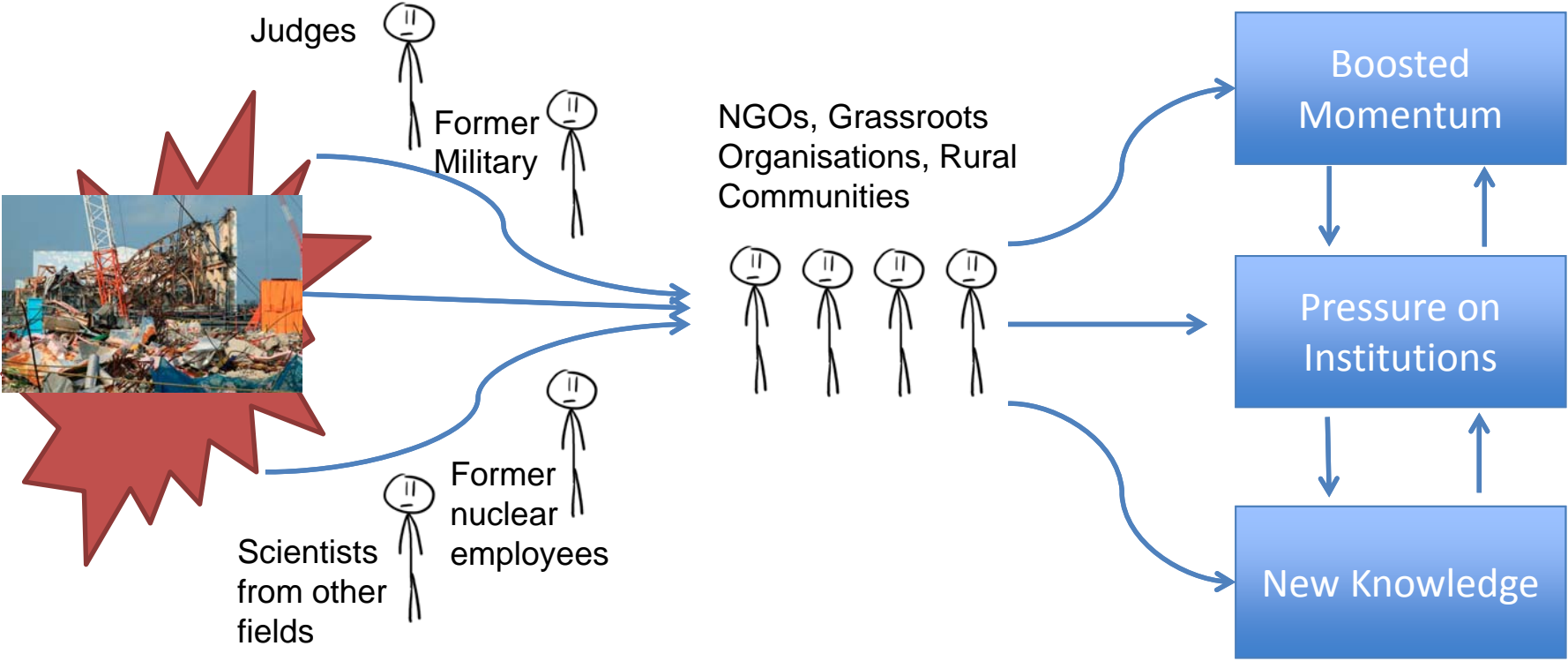
23 May 2013, Russian-built VVER reactor goes live in Kudankulam, Tamil Nadu, as thousands of villagers gather on the beach in protest.



12 Sept 2012 Anti-nuclear protest turns violent in Kudankulam, Tamil Nadu, as government deploys special forces against civilians



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**REPORT OF THE**  
**PEOPLE'S MOVEMENT AGAINST NUCLEAR ENERGY**  
**(PMANE) EXPERT COMMITTEE**  
**ON**  
**SAFETY, FEASIBILITY AND ALTERNATIVES TO**  
**KUDANKULAM NUCLEAR POWER PLANT (KKNPP)**

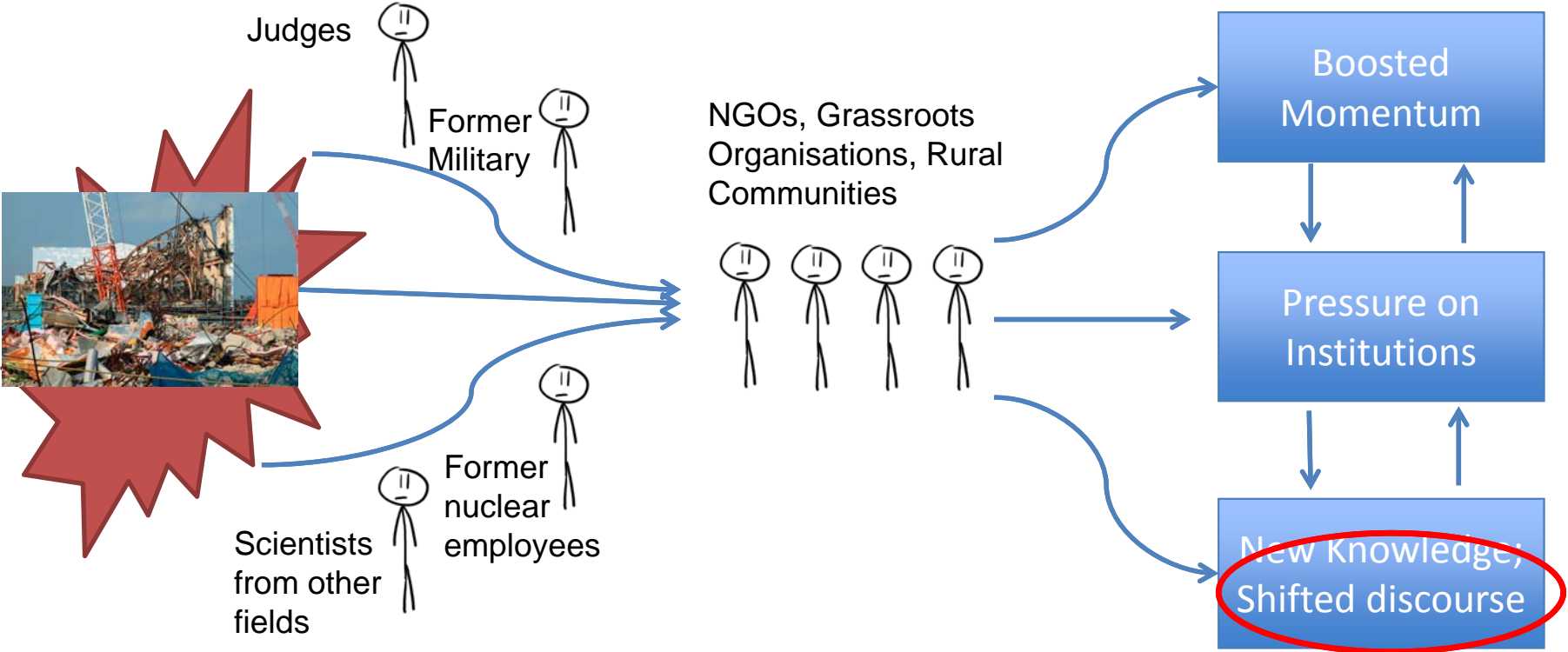
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**SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT**  
**ON SAFETY OF**  
**KUDANKULAM NUCLEAR POWER PROJECT**  
**AND IMPACT OF ITS OPERATIONS ON SURROUNDINGS**

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# Re-framing the Question

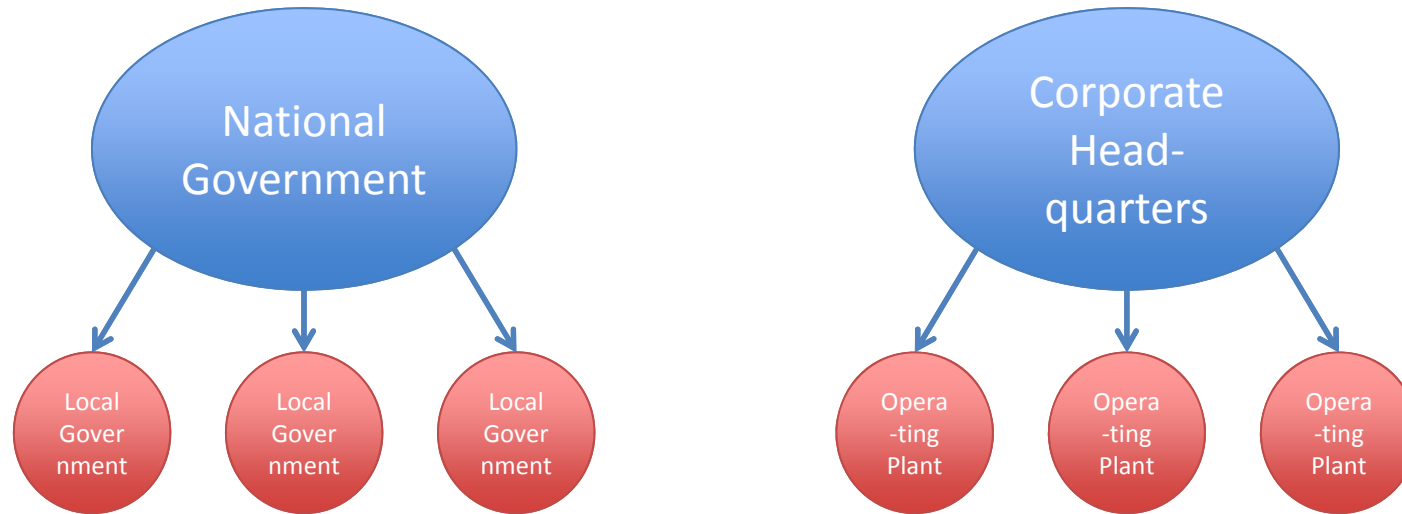
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“Are the risks of nuclear power an acceptable tradeoff for the benefits of economic development and energy security?”

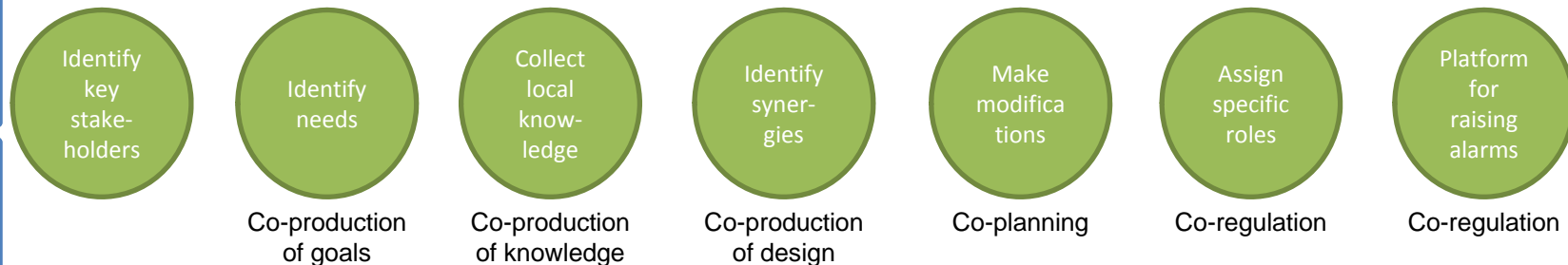


“How can the shared interests of “development” and “security” be achieved for the relevant stakeholders? What role does/can nuclear power play in these strategies?”

# A Smart Regulation Approach



## Creating a Context of Shared Interests Through Project Design



## Co-regulation and Deliberative Risk Governance



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