

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
EARTH SCIENCES  
LOK SABHA**

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EARTHQUAKE AND TSUNAMI  
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**Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether mining of materials on the earth has been increasing rapidly;
- (b) if so, whether it causes earthquake and Tsunami frequently these days; and
- (c) if so, the action taken/proposed to be taken in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES (SHRI KAPIL SIBAL)

- (a) Yes, Sir. There has been a growing trend in the mineral production in the country through mining activity.
- (a) No Sir. No scientific evidence has been established to show that the mining activity by itself could generate significant earthquake activity or Tsunamis that are triggered by earthquakes.
- (b) Question does not arise.