

**Seventeenth Loksabha**

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Title: Regarding High Levels of Uranium and other Heavy Metals beyond the permissible limits in areas of Seemanchal

**डॉ. मोहम्मद जावेद (किशनगंज):** सभापति महोदय, आपका बहुत-बहुत शुक्रिया । मैं सीमांचल से आता हूँ । आप जानते हैं कि वह सबसे डिप्राइव्ड एरिया है । साढ़ तीन साल से एएमयू का कुछ नहीं हुआ है और फलड से और नुकसान होता है । अब लगता है कि कुदरत भी हम लोगों से नाराज है । In 2019 and 2020, the Central Groundwater Board analysed 634 water samples from Bihar. It was found that about ten odd districts including Kishanganj, Purnia and Katihar contained high levels of uranium and other heavy metals beyond the permissible limit set by the WHO.

Due to the high levels of uranium, iron and arsenic in drinking water in Seemanchal in particular, cases of cancer, kidney, liver and skin diseases have increased manifold in the recent past. Almost 600 and odd patients have come to me for recommendation for their treatment in the last three years. यह कितनी गंभीर समस्या है, आप समझ सकते हैं । Through you, Sir, I would like to urge the hon. Health Minister to set up a diagnostic centre in my Parliamentary Constituency Kishanganj and also a Government Medical College with super speciality oncology and nephrology units for the treatment of cancer, kidney and liver patients of my Constituency. Thank you very much.