

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5271
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MINING BY UK BASED EIA
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a U.K. based Environmental Investigation Agency (EIA) has done mining in Jamwa Ramgarh near the Sariska Tiger Reserve in Rajasthan which has destroyed the tiger habitat;
- (b) if so, the facts thereof;
- (c) the reaction of the Union Government thereto; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to protect the area from mining?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI DILIP SINGH JU DEV)

(a) (b) & (c) No Sir. Question does not arise.

(d) At present the Central Government has not granted any permission for mining in the Jamwa Ramgarh wildlife sanctuary of Rajasthan. Further, the States have been asked to send proposals for declaring the surrounds of Protected Areas as 'eco-sensitive'.