

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
EARTH SCIENCES  
LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP INSTITUTE TO STUDY GLOBAL WARMING  
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**Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether there is any proposal to set up an institute to study the impact of global warming/climatic changes etc.; and  
(b) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

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

(a) - (b) Yes Sir. Based on the discussions of a Brainstorming meeting held on June 1, 2007 organised by the Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES), involving experts working on climate change and representatives from all the concerned Ministries, Non-governmental organizations, and academic and scientific institutions, a coordinated research program on climate change shall be launched to study all associated science aspects of climate change viz. Carbon and Nitrogen cycles; Asian Brown Cloud (ABC).

As a part of climate change program, there is a proposal for the establishment of a dedicated Centre to undertake research on Science aspects of Climate Change at Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), Pune.