

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EARTH SCIENCES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1013
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FISSURES IN THE EARTH CRUST
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Will the Minister of EARTH SCIENCES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware about the large number of incidents of fissures developing in the earth crust in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, location-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has conducted any investigation in this regard;
- (d) if so, the outcome thereof;
- (e) whether the Government has formulated any plan; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, MINISTRY OF EARTH SCIENCES, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN)

- (a) No Madam. However, the Geological Survey of India (GSI) has received reports of ground fissures/cracks that have developed over parts of Uttar Pradesh and Uttarakhand in the recent past mainly due to fluctuation in the ground water table.
- (b)-(f) Does not arise.