

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
ATOMIC ENERGY  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3547

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ACQUISITION OF URANIUM MINES ABROAD

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**Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government proposes to acquire uranium mines in other countries with a view to ensure continuous supply of uranium to nuclear reactors in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether efforts are being made by the Government to explore new uranium mines in the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AND EARTH SCIENCES (INDEPENDENT CHARGES), PMO, PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS(SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN)

(a)&(b) Uranium Corporation of India Limited (UCIL), a Public Sector Undertaking under the Department of Atomic Energy is exploring the possibility of participation in uranium properties with companies in other countries like Russia, Namibia, Mongolia, Kazakhstan.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) UCIL is constructing a new mine at Mohuldih in Jharkhand and a mine and a processing plant at Tummalapalle in Andhra Pradesh. UCIL also proposes to set up mines and mill at Lambapur-Peddagattu in Andhra Pradesh, a mine at Gogi, Karnataka and a mine and mill at Kylleng Pydengsohiong, Mawthabah in Meghalaya.