

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ATOMIC ENERGY
LOK SABHA**

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PRODUCTION OF URANIUM
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Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to promote production of Uranium minerals in the country particularly in the North-Eastern Region; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

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) Yes, Sir.

(b) At present Uranium Corporation on India Limited (UCIL), a public sector undertaking under the Department of Atomic energy is operating five underground mines at Jaduguda, Bhatin, Narwapahar, Turamdih and Bagjata and an opencast mine at Banduhurang and two processing plants at Jaduguda and Turamdih. Construction activities are on for setting up a mine at Mohuldih in Jharkhand and a mine and mill at Tummalapalle in the Cuddapah district, Andhra Pradesh. UCIL proposes to set up a mine and mill at Kylleng Pyndengsohiong Mawthabah in the West Khasi Hills district in Meghalaya. In addition UCIL also proposes to set up mines and mill at Lambapur-Peddagattu in the Nalgonda district, Andhra Pradesh and a mine at Gogi in Karnataka and these projects will be taken up after receipt of all statutory clearances.