

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2359  
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ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE TO BALCO  
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**Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the State Government of Chhattisgarh has sent any proposal to the Government for giving environmental clearance/No Objection Certificate in regard to the Bharat Aluminium Company Limited (BALCO);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has received any complaints in regard to mining without obtaining clearance by the (BALCO);
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN)

- (a) & (b): No proposal has been received from the State Government of Chhattisgarh for granting environmental clearance to M/s Bharat Aluminium Company Limited (BALCO). Details of the proposals received from M/s BALCO accorded environmental clearance under the Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification, 2006 are given at Annexure.
- (c) to (e): This Ministry has not received any complaint in regard to mining without obtaining environmental clearance by the BALCO.