

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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CENTRE FOR RADIO ECOLOGY
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Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up Centre for Radio Ecology;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; alongwith its aims and objectives; and
- (c) the time by which the said Centre is likely to be set up?

Answer

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

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Radio-ecology centre is being established at Guru Jhambheswar University of Science & Technology (GJUST) at Hissar, Haryana with the following aims and objectives.

to carry out the basic research work in the areas of radioecology in relation with non-human species.

to enrich the knowledge base at GJUST, a radio-ecological study will be launched.

the proposed studies will be the first of its kind in the country and would consolidate the mandate of the Department of Atomic Energy (DAE) towards minimizing the harmful effects of ionizing radiations, both natural and man made, on the environment and population at large.

(d) The centre is expected to start functioning in 2010.