

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7
ANSWERED ON:21.07.2003
DESTRUCTION TO TIGER HABITAT DUE TO MINING IN RAJASTHAN
DALPAT SINGH PARASTE

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a UK-based Environmental Investigation Agency (EIA) has called for a halt to mining which is destroying the tiger habitat in Jamwa Ramgarh near the Sariska Tiger Reserve in Rajasthan;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government have laid down certain guidelines in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI DILIP SINGH JU DEV)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) The State Government has reported that mining is not ongoing in the Jamua Ramgarh Wildlife Sanctuary.
- (c) & (d) Based on a decision taken in the meeting of the Indian Board for Wildlife under the chairmanship of the Hon`ble Prime Minister on 21.01.2002, the Ministry of Environment and Forests has directed the State Governments to identify eco fragile areas around Protected Areas .