

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ATOMIC ENERGY
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:308
ANSWERED ON:14.12.2005
RADIATION FROM TAILING PONDS
Sumbri Shri Bagun

Will the Minister of ATOMIC ENERGY be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of tailing ponds in Jaduguda where mining of uranium is undertaken;
- (b) the total number of people being evicted by tailing ponds including the details of the compensation paid to them;
- (c) whether they have been rehabilitated;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) the emission level of the radioactive wastes being dumped in tailing ponds;
- (f) the number of people suffering from diseases caused by radiation in Jaduguda;
- (g) the precautions being taken to prevent the ill-effects of radioactivity in uranium mines and its surrounding areas; and
- (h) the reasons for uranium wastes being brought back to Jaduguda from all over the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN)

(a) to (h): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

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STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 308 BY SHRI BAGUN SUMBRUI REGARDING RADIATION FROM TAILING PONDS FOR ANSWER ON 14.12.2005.

(a) : Three Sir. Two filled up and one in use.

(b) : The total number of people displaced due to construction of tailings ponds and the compensation paid to them is given below:

Sl.No.	Description	Area of land (acres) displaced	No. of families	Amount of compensation paid (Rs.)
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1	First Tailings Pond	32.94	Nil	80,363 (for property)
2	Second Tailings Pond	29.17	13	2,30,058
3	Third Tailings Pond			

(a) Land 51.07 46 24,34,519

(b) Grant for -do- -do- 18,90,000
construction of
Houses

(c) : Yes, Sir.

(d) : Not applicable in view of reply to (c) above.

(e) : The emission level of the radioactive waste in the tailings ponds is well within the permissible limits as prescribed by International Commission on Radiological Protection (ICRP) and Atomic Energy Regulatory Board (AERB).

(f) : None.

(g) : The guidelines are prescribed by AERB are being followed strictly.

(h) : No waste is being brought back to Jaduguda from other parts of the country.