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Subject : Regarding Alternative Area.

The proposed block for which the Forest Clearance is desired is the only locale where there are substantial evidences of presence of atomic minerals. The Airborne Survey and few geological studies have shown encouraging signals in the proposed area.

As far as alternative area to carry out the reconnaissance drilling is concerned, no encouraging signatures have so far been found elsewhere, besides the proposed block.

It needs to be understood that Atomic Minerals which primarily includes Uranium is a rare commodity and a Strategic Mineral, necessary for Clean Energy and for carrying forward Nation's Atomic Energy Programme and as such its exploration needs to be taken on a priority basis.

The selection of the block for drilling is itself an intensely thought and scientifically backed decision.

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