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I write this to draw your attention to the shocking proposal by Union Atomic Energy Minister and the Nuclear Power Corporation (NPC) to develop deep-level waste repository at the Kolar Gold Fields (KGF) and convert it into a permanent storage facility for its radioactive waste produced by the Kudankulam power plant. If true, this decision to turn KGF into a dumping yard for radioactive nuclear waste is irresponsible, dangerous and must be immediately withdrawn.

Given its proximity to Kolar, a nuclear site at KGF, will make Bangalore and its 8 million citizens vulnerable to grave dangers of a nuclear accident or radiation and threatens the lives and safety of the residents in Bangalore causing disastrous and irreversible consequences to the city.

As a citizen of Bangalore and as a Member of Parliament, I have taken up issues affecting Bangalore, welfare of the citizens and stood by the citizens fight for their rights and I firmly believe the Centre's proposal on KGF is ill-conceived and plays with the safety of the lives of citizens of Bangalore besides being a threat to our city.

Government of India must immediately issue an unambiguous clarification on this serious matter, assure the people of Karnataka about dropping this dangerous proposal and instruct Nuclear Power Corporation India Limited (NPCIL) to withdraw its affidavit before the Supreme Court which stated that spent fuel will be dumped at abandoned mines at Kolar Gold Fields.

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I look forward to your urgent intervention on this matter, which will be greatly appreciated by the people of Karnataka.

Very truly yours

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