

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINES
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1231
ANSWERED ON 14.12.2022

AUCTION OF MINERAL BLOCKS

†1231. SHRI DEEPAK BAIJ:

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of mineral blocks which have been proposed for auction by the State Government of Chhattisgarh based on the reports submitted by the Geological Survey of India and geological reports submitted by Mineral Exploration Corporation Limited;
- (b) the dates on which the proposals were received and the details of the action taken thereon till date;
- (c) whether desirable action has not been taken on the proposal so far; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor and the time by which the action is likely to be completed as per the proposal?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF MINES, COAL AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS
(SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI)

(a) to (d): As per the information provided by Government of Chhattisgarh, the details of mineral blocks proposed for auction by the State Government based on the reports submitted by the Geological Survey of India and Mineral Exploration Corporation Limited is at Annexure I. The details of the proposals received and the details of the action taken there on till date, are also furnished at Annexure I. State Government has informed that required necessary action is being taken and concerted efforts are being done to make all the proposed blocks auctionable. So far, 2 mining leases and 2 composite licenses have been successfully auctioned. Further, Notice Inviting Tenders (NITs) are issued for 1 mining lease and 2 composite licenses. The action plan proposed for the handed-over blocks is provided in Annexure I.

Annexure I

List of Geological Reports (GR) handed over by Geological Survey of India and Mineral Exploration Corporation Limited to Directorate of Geology and Mining, Chhattisgarh

S. No.	Name of Block & District	Mineral	Date of receiving GR	Exploration Level	Action Taken
GSI					
1	Baghmara, Raipur	Gold	2015	G3	Successfully Auctioned
2	Laladhurwa-Jognipali, Raigarh	Limestone	15.02.2019	G2	Successfully auctioned
3	Sandi, Rajnandgaon	Limestone	13.05.2020	G2	NIT issued on 09.12.2022
4	Pakhritola North, Jashpur	Bauxite ore	15.12.2017	G2	Kept Reserved for Chhattisgarh Mineral Development Corporation (CMDC)
5	Pakhritola South, Jashpur	Bauxite ore	15.12.2017		
6	Chapi, Balrampur	Bauxite ore	24.03.2022	G2	NOC for land schedule is being done by District administration, Proposed for Auction in 2022-23
7	Dani Kokri, Durg	Limestone	24.03.2022		
8	Chichili, Jashpur	Bauxite ore	12.07.2022		
9	Godhatola, Rajnandgaon & Kabirdham	Iron Ore	07.10.2021 (Phase I)	G4	Successfully Auctioned
10	Kelwardabri, Mahasamund	Ni, Cr & associated PGE			NIT issued on 05.07.2022
11	Bhalukona – Jamnidhi, Mahasamund				NIT re-issued on 09.12.2022
12	Khuntitoli, Jashpur	Gold and Associated sulphide mineralization			1 st attempt annulled. NIT to be reissued for 2 nd attempt.
13	Damchuan, Balrampur	Bauxite			
14	North of Surbena – Khajri, Balrampur	Bauxite			
15	Giroud-Uprani, Baloda Bazar	Glauconite and associated mineralization			
16	North of Arjunda, Mahasamund				
17	Kennapara, Surguja	Graphite			
18	Murka – Basera, Surguja	Graphite			
19	Chanat_II, Mahasamund	Gold and associated sulphide mineralization	03.12.2021(P hase II)	Geological Survey Report Submitted, Technical Committee Meeting to be conducted	
20	Tumrisur-Garda_II, Kanker				
21	Kareli-Chandi_II, Durg	Limestone			
22	Basna_II, Mahasamund	Diamond and Kimberlite Clan Rocks		Geological Survey Report finalisation under process	
23	North of Ghordega Kurkuria_II, Jashpur	Bauxite			
24	Katghora_II, Korba	Lithium		Response awaited from Geological Survey of India on queries raised by Directorate of Geology and Mining.	
25	Bijora-Kumhalori_III, Balod	Phosphorite	24.03.2022 (Phase III)	Geological Survey Report finalisation under process	
26	Akola_III, Bemetara	Gypsum		Geological Survey Report finalisation under process, Response awaited from GSI on queries raised by Directorate of Geology and Mining.	
27	Gadaghat_III, Bemetara	Gypsum			
28	Devri_III, Baloda Bazar	Limestone		12.07.2022 (Phase IV)	Geological Survey Report finalisation under process
29	Saloni_III, Baloda Bazar	Limestone	Reports under review		
30	Dantalgawa, Jashpur	Bauxite			
31	Datunpani, Jashpur	Bauxite			
32	Rajpura, Jashpur	Bauxite			
33	Gaitara, Baloda Bazar	Limestone			
MECL					
34	Nahardih-Madhaipur, Raipur	Limestone	2018	G2	Successfully Auctioned
35	Saraipani-Dadar, Kabirdham	Bauxite	2021	G2	NOC for land schedule pending with District Collectorate, Proposed for Auction in 2022-23
36	Sendurkar Block, kabirdham	Bauixte	2021	G2	