

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF MINES  
**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4781**  
ANSWERED ON 24.03.2021  
**MINES OPERATING UNDER HCL**

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Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) the location-wise details of the number of the mines operational under Hindustan Copper Limited (HCL);
- (b) the yearly total production of the copper from these mines along with the price thereof;
- (c) the details of the quantum of profit accrued, mine-wise and year-wise;
- (d) whether any copper plant has been established at Malanjkhanda of Balaghat district in Madhya Pradesh;
- (e) if so, the time since when it was established and the cost thereof;
- (f) the details of the products therein; and
- (g) the details of the profit accrued therefrom?

**ANSWER**

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

(a): The location-wise details of the number of mines operational under Hindustan Copper Limited (HCL) is furnished below:-

Location	Name of Mine	Status
District : Singhbhum East State : Jharkhand	Surda	Currently not operational due to non-renewal of mining lease.
	Kendadih	Mine is in development stage, production will start from FY-2021-22.
District : Jhunjhunu State : Rajasthan	Khetri	Currently operational.
	Kolihan	Currently operational.
District : Balaghat State : Madhya Pradesh	Malanjkhanda	Currently operational.

(b): The details of mine wise copper Ore and MIC production and sale price is tabulated below:

FY 2019-20			
Mine	Ore (tonnes)	MIC (tonnes)	Price of MIC (Rs./tonne)*
Surda	2,45,369	2065	4,01,163
Kendadih	43,230		
Khetri	6,80,005	8732	
Kolihan	4,39,518		
Malanjkhanda	25,44,472	15705	
Total	3967594	26502	

\* The price of MIC varies as per LME and auction prices

(c): The mine-wise yearly details of the quantum of profit accrued is as below:

Location	Name of Mines	Mine wise Operating Profit in FY-2019-20 (Rs. in Crore)
District : Singhbhum East State Jharkhand Under Indian Copper Complex (ICC) Unit	Surda	19.37
	Kendadih	Mine is in development stage, production will start from FY-2021-22.
District : Jhunjhunu State : Rajasthan Under Khetri Copper Complex (KCC) Unit	Khetri	49.81
	Kolihan	
District : Balaghat State : Madhya Pradesh  Under Malanjkhand Copper Project (MCP) Unit	Malanjkhand	160.88

(d): In Malanjkhand, Copper ore beneficiation plant (Concentrator Plant) has been established since beginning of mining operations in 1982. No copper Smelter & refinery plant is there. In 2017, one copper ore tailing beneficiation plant was installed to recover valuable metals and minerals from the copper ore tails (a waste generated during the copper concentrate production.)

(e): Copper ore beneficiation plant (Concentrator Plant) has been established since beginning of mining operations in 1982. Installation of the copper ore tailing beneficiation plant started from April 2017 and the party finally failed to commission the plant and the contract was terminated from 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020 with efflux of time. The cost of the plant was Rs.201.83 Crore.

(f) & (g): Product of the Copper ore beneficiation plant (Concentrator Plant) is MIC and the details has been provided in part (b) and part (c) of the reply. Commissioning of copper ore tailing beneficiation plant was not successful. No profit accrued as the party (technology provider) was not able to commission the plant.

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