

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINES
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2651
ANSWERED ON 04.08.2021

MINING AND EXTRACTION OF GRANITE

2651. SHRI RAVI KISHAN:

SHRI RAVINDRA KUSHWAHA:

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has formulated any special plan to improve and monitor mining and extraction of granite;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the total stock of Granite in the country, State/UT-wise;
- (d) the quantum of Granite exported during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (e) whether the export of Granite has been affected in the recent times;
- (f) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and
- (g) the steps taken by the Government in this direction ?

ANSWER

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

(a) & (b): Granite being a building stone comes under Minor Mineral, as defined under clause (e) of section 3 of the Mines and Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act, 1957 (MMDR Act). As per section 15 of the MMDR Act, 1957, State Governments have been empowered to make rules for regulating the grant of mining leases or other mineral concessions in respect of minor minerals and for purposes connected therewith. Therefore, the administration of mining of minor minerals including granite is completely within the domain of the respective State Governments.

However, the Granite Conservation and Development Rules (GCDR), 1999 has been framed by Central Government which aims at bringing uniform rules for conservation, systematic development and scientific exploitation of granite resources. Further, Ministry of Mines vide order dated 23.04.2021 has constituted a Granite and Marble Development Council for a period of three years to prescribe a uniform framework with regard to systematic and scientific exploration of Granite and Marble minerals throughout the country.

(c): As per National Mineral Inventory data, the total reserves/resources of Granite (Dimension Stone) as on 01.04.2015 is attached at annexure-I.

(d) : As per the information furnished by Indian Bureau of Mines (a subordinate office of Ministry of Mines), details of the quantum of Granite exported during the last three years are as under:

(Value in Rs. '000)

Commodity	Unit	Export					
		2018-19		2019-20(P*)		2020-21(P*)	
		Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
GRANITE	TON	6811728	102014060	6678131	102248504	7514833	113169599

*P-provisional

(e): In the year 2019-2020, export has decreased by 1.9% and in the year 2020-21 increased by 12.5% on year basis.

(f): No specific information is available with Ministry of Mines.

(g): Do not arise in view of above.

Table No. 5.29 : Reserves/Resources of Granite (Dimension Stone) as on 1.4.2015

(By Grades / States)

(In 000'Cum)

	Reserves				Remaining Resources							Total	
	Proved	Probable		Total	Feasibility	Pre-feasibility		Measured	Indicated	Inferred	Reconnaissance	Total	Resources
	STD111	STD121	STD122	(A)	STD211	STD221	STD222	STD331	STD332	STD333	STD334	(B)	(A+B)
All India : Total	35741	201377	26574	263692	38462	51990	8234	837325	2063964	42543908	512216	46056098	46319790
By Grades													
Black Granite	6936	6060	3909	16906	0	45690	1	50934	466039	2572581	23538	3158783	3175688
Coloured Granite	28805	195316	22665	246786	38462	6300	8233	786391	1276125	39843847	448438	42407795	42654581
Unclassified	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	321800	127481	40240	489521	489521
By States													
Andhra Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2360396	0	2360396	2360396
Assam	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	800	583150	0	583950	583950
Bihar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	179000	698612	0	877612	877612
Chhattisgarh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	50057	0	50057	50057
Gujarat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8501947	0	8501947	8501947
Haryana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	34000	0	34000	34000
Jammu & Kashmir	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	44570	40000	84570	84570
Jharkhand	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	651300	8197110	26930	8875340	8875340
Karnataka	26363	19389	21836	67587	0	0	0	238	1231625	8012784	25659	9270306	9337893
Kerala	140	0	0	140	0	0	0	0	99	2570	0	2669	2808
Madhya Pradesh	0	160	0	160	0	0	0	0	0	1885924	108000	1993924	1994084
Maharashtra	0	0	0	0	0	6300	0	486925	0	665622	0	1158847	1158847
Meghalya	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	286467	286467	286467
Odisha	0	80000	0	80000	0	0	0	330328	0	1432492	5160	1767980	1847980
Rajasthan	5581	100380	4500	110461	38462	0	0	0	0	9021742	20000	9080204	9190665
Tamil Nadu	0	1448	238	1686	0	45690	8234	7	0	503818	0	557749	559435
Telangana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	45494	0	45494	45494
Uttar Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	494819	0	494819	494819
West Bengal	3658	0	0	3658	0	0	0	19827	1140	8802	0	29768	33426

figures rounded off

