

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF MINES  
**LOK SABHA**  
**STARRED QUESTION NO.230**  
ANSWERED ON 07.08.2024

**GOLD RESERVES IN BIHAR**

†\*230. SHRI RAJESH RANJAN:

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether a survey conducted by the Geological Survey of India at Karahia village in Sono area of Jamui district, Bihar has revealed the largest gold reserve of the country having nearly 222.88 tonnes of gold reserve including 37.5 tonnes of mineral ore blocks as well; and

(b) if so, the time by which the Government is likely to take action for exploration of the said ore and gold?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF COAL AND MINES  
(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) and (b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) AND (b) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 230 FOR ANSWER ON 07.08.2024 ASKED BY SHRI RAJESH RANJAN REGARDING GOLD RESERVES IN BIHAR.**

(a) & (b): Geological Survey of India (GSI) has taken up two year programme on reconnaissance survey (G4 stage) for gold in and around Karmatiya, Boutha, Mahugaon, Sono areas of Jamui district in Bihar during the field seasons 2023-24 and 2024-25.

The report of reconnaissance survey will be available by December, 2025. Based on the results of the reconnaissance survey, further stage of exploration may be taken up in the areas. As of now, GSI has not established any reserve/resource of gold in the area.

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