

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINES
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POTENTIAL POTASH MINERAL RESERVES IN WESTERN RAJASTHAN

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Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the potential potash mineral reserves in certain areas of Western Rajasthan including the Sri Ganganagar and Hanumangarh districts;
- (b) if so, the details of the estimated potash reserves based on the geological surveys and exploration conducted in these areas so far and the details of locations that have been identified;
- (c) whether any mining blocks have been auctioned or is an auction process proposed for the exploitation of these potential potash reserves and if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether the Government is formulating any specific plan to reduce the country's dependence on potash fertiliser imports and to boost regional industrial development and employment generation through the development of these reserves; and
- (e) the details of the likely timeframe for the implementation of the said projects?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR COAL AND MINES
(SHRI SATISH CHANDRA DUBEY)

(a) and (b): The location-wise details of resources of potash in Rajasthan are given at Annexure-I.

(c): The Government has auctioned two blocks of Potash for the grant of the Composite Licence in Hanumangarh district, Rajasthan. The details are as follows:

S.No.	Name of the Block	Commodity	Year
1.	Jhandawali - Satipura Amalgamated Potash and Halite Block, Hanumangarh, Rajasthan	Potash and Halite	2025-26
2.	Jorkian-Satipura-Khunja Amalgamated Potash and Halite Block, Hanumangarh, Rajasthan	Potash and Halite	2025-26

(d) and (e): After auction of mineral block, the preferred bidder undertakes further exploration, feasibility and economic viability studies. The regional industrial development, employment generation, etc. depend upon mining operations taken up after such studies.

Location-wise details of resources of Potash established in the State of Rajasthan

S. No.	District	Block	UNFC Stage	Resource (in million tonnes)
1.	Bikaner	Hanseran	G4	16.13
2.	Bikaner	Lakhasar	G3	108.98
3.	Bikaner	Lakhasar sub-basin	G3	25.94
4.	Bikaner	Lakhasar East	G3	24.76
5.	Fazilka, Sri Muktsar Sahib (Punjab), Sri Ganganagar (Rajasthan)	Fazilka, Sri Muktsar Sahib and Sri Ganganagar	G4	194.58
6.	Hanumangarh	Bharusari North	G3	5.84
7.	Hanumangarh	Bharusari sub-basin	G3	12.83
8.	Hanumangarh	Bawriyanwali Dhani South East	G3	4.03
9.	Hanumangarh	Chistiyan South	G2	6.61
10.	Hanumangarh	Dhankowali Dhani North	G3	74.22
11.	Hanumangarh	Jandawali North	G3	8.24
12.	Hanumangarh	Jorkian South	G3	17.77
13.	Hanumangarh	Jakharanwali	G4	3.39
14.	Hanumangarh	Jandawali South	G3	9.51
15.	Hanumangarh	Khunja North West	G3	12.39
16.	Hanumangarh	Makkasar	G3	7.61
17.	Hanumangarh	Makkasar North	G3	11.35
18.	Hanumangarh	Nai Basti	G3	6.16
19.	Hanumangarh	Satipura sub-basin	G3	133.07
20.	Hanumangarh	Chistiyan	G3	15.38
21.	Hanumangarh	Jorkian North	G3	5.43