

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:23
ANSWERED ON:02.12.2003
IODINE IN ROCK SALT
MAHESHWAR SINGH

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any survey regarding presence of proper quantity of Iodine in the Rock Salt available in Himachal Pradesh especially in Mandi district;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government have drawn any plan to set up a plant in this area; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI RAMESH BAIS)

- (a) & (b) : No, Sir. No survey has been carried out in Mandi District, Himachal Pradesh to assess the quantity of iodine in the rock salt.
- (c) & (d) : The Government have not drawn any plan to set up a plant in Mandi district, Himachal Pradesh.