

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINES
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:687
ANSWERED ON:13.05.2005
BAUXITE DEPOSITS
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Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) the estimated bauxite deposit in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the specific steps taken for the proper exploitation of the bauxite resources in the country, State-wise; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF MINES (SHRI SIS RAM OLA)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 687 FOR ANSWER ON 13.5.2005
ASKED BY SHRI JUAL ORAM AND SHRI GIRIDHAR GAMANG REGARDING BAUXITE DEPOSITS

(a): The following are the State-wise total reserves of bauxite as on 1.4.2000 :-

Total In Situ Reserves of bauxite

| State | Reserves (in million tonnes) |
|-----------------|------------------------------|
| All India | 3075.71 |
| Andhra Pradesh | 612.76 |
| Bihar | 4.11 |
| Chhattisgarh | 198.22 |
| Goa | 64.28 |
| Gujarat | 185.49 |
| Jammu & Kashmir | 2.03 |
| Jharkhand | 117.35 |
| Karnataka | 45.89 |
| Kerala | 14.23 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 131.49 |
| Maharashtra | 124.78 |
| Orissa | 1529.64 |
| Rajasthan | 0.53 |
| Tamil Nadu | 26.00 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 18.91 |

(b)&(c) : All mineral concessions including bauxite are granted by the State Governments as per the provisions of Mines & Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act, 1957 and Mineral Concession Rules, 1960. In case of bauxite, prior approval of Central Government is taken before granting mineral concession by the State Government. Non-fuel and non-atomic mineral sector including bauxite has been thrown open for private investment including foreign direct investment in all States. The prospective investors who are interested in the exploitation of minerals including bauxite make investment based on the availability of minerals and economic viability of its exploitation.

The State-wise break-up of number of operating mines and production during 2003-04 is given in following table:

Details of No. of mines of bauxite

Name of State No. of Mines Production(tonnes)

2003-04

| | | |
|----------------|----|---------|
| Chhattisgarh | 08 | 887359 |
| Goa | 03 | 70369 |
| Gujarat | 92 | 1864387 |
| Jharkhand | 32 | 1518096 |
| Kerala | 03 | 16070 |
| Karnataka | 03 | 29403 |
| Madhya Pradesh | 44 | 190937 |
| Maharashtra | 11 | 1167720 |
| Orissa | 03 | 4934155 |
| Tamil Nadu | 05 | 278040 |

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| Total | 204 | 10956536 |
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