

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7317  
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GOLD RESERVE IN KARNATAKA  
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**Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:**

- (a) the details of new source of Gold Mines located during the last three years;
- (b) whether it has come to the notice of the Government that Gold ore is found sufficiently in the Kappata Gudda Hills near Gadag-Karnataka;
- (c) if so, whether the Government has any plan in going for mining to extract Gold ore from these Hills; and
- (d) if so, the details of the quantity of gold that can be obtained from this area and the details of the investments;
- (e) whether the Government has proposals for immediate commencement of the mining operations; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO)

(a): As per the information furnished by the Geological Survey of India(GSI) and the Indian Bureau of Mines (IBM), subordinate offices of Ministry of Mines, the following gold reserves have been estimated during the last three years:-

Name of the Area/ District/State	Ore	Metal content
(in million tonne)	(gram per tonne)	
Dhani-Basri Area, Dausa District, Rajasthan	0.8	1.00
Delwara Block, Banswara District, Rajasthan	0.704	1.88
Bhukia East Central Block, Banswara District, Rajasthan	0.273	1.89
Dona South Block, Anantpur District, Andhra Pradesh	1.113	1.16 to 6.28
Dona North Block, Anantpur District, Andhra Pradesh	0.098	3.85
Dugocha-North Block, Udaipur District, Rajasthan	0.132	2.09
Dugocha-Central Block, Udaipur District, Rajasthan	0.216	3.05
Dona East Block, Kurnool District, Andhra Pradesh	5.309	Not available
NE Block of Jonnagir, Andhra Pradesh	7.768	2.041
Hutti, Raichur District, Karnataka	7.07	6.28
Uti, Raichur District, Karnataka	0.122	2.66
Hira Buddini, Raichur District, Karnataka	0.243	7.90

(b): No, Sir. Studies in the Kappatta Gudda Hills near Gadag have so far failed to find gold resources of economic significance.

(c) to (f): Does not arise in view of reply to (b) above.