

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINES
LOK SABHA**

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CLOSURE OF MINES
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Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of mines that have been closed down in the country during the last three years, State-wise specially in Rajasthan;
- (b) whether the closed mines are likely to be revived;
- (c) if so, the time by which it is likely to be revived; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

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

(a): Details of number of mines closed down during the last three years, State-wise are mentioned below: -

Sl.No.	Name of State	Number of mines Government closed in the In the year 2002-03	Number of mines closed in the in the year 2003-04	Number of mine closed in the in the year 2004-05
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1.	Andhra Pradesh	39	05	01
2.	Assam	00	00	00
3.	Bihar	02	02	61
4.	Chhattisgarh	01	01	62
5.	Goa	01	09	198
6.	Gujarat		27	48 06
7.	Haryana		103	00 00
8.	Himachal Pradesh	00	00	00
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	00	00	00
10.	Jharkhand		01	12 175
11.	Karnataka	01	00	07
12.	Kerala	00	00	02
13.	Maharashtra	00	00	73
14.	Manipur	00	00	00
15.	Meghalaya	00	00	00
16.	Madhaya Pradesh	02	00	93
17.	Orissa	00	00	00
18.	Rajasthan		144	21 127
19.	Tamil Nadu	00	00	01
20.	Uttar Pradesh	00	00	00
21.	Uttranchal	02	00	00
22.	West Bengal	00	00	00
	Total	323	98	806

(b) to (d). Revival of closed mines depends on a number of factors including availability of minerals resources, revival of demand and improvement in economics of mines. No time frame can be assigned.