

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINES
LOK SABHA**

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DIAMOND MINING
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Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether diamond mine has been explored in Chhaterpur and Damoh district of Madhya Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the plan of its excavation;
- (c) whether peripheral development of these mines and recruitment of local people has been proposed;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the time by which this work is likely to be commenced?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (Dr. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY)

(a) to (e) Five reconnaissance permits have been granted for exploration of diamond in Chhattarpur district (including one in Chhattarpur and Damoh) of Madhya Pradesh. However, no diamond mine has yet been identified.