

Seventeenth Loksabha

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Title: Regarding enhancement of rate of royalty for minerals mined in Odisha-laid.

**SHRI BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB (CUTTACK):** Odisha is producing about half of the country's iron ore besides substantial quantities of Chromite, Bauxite, Limestone and Manganese ore. However, the State is being deprived of its reasonable expectation of revenue from such mining. The royalty on these minerals was last revised on 01.09.2014 even though there is a provision for permitting revision of royalty every three years. For non-revision of royalty, the State is being deprived of legitimate share of revenues from such mining. I would urge upon the Government to consider enhancement of rate of royalty urgently.