

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF STEEL

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2318**  
FOR ANSWER ON 21.12.2022

**NMDC**

2318. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:  
DR. DNV SENTHILKUMAR .S:  
SHRI SUNIL DATTATRAY TATKARE:  
DR. SUBHASH RAMRAO BHAMRE:  
DR. AMOL RAMSING KOLHE:  
SHRI KULDEEP RAI SHARMA:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether NMDC has achieved the objective for which it was set up;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the contribution of NMDC as a public sector enterprise since its inception;
- (c) whether NMDC has set up its units in various mineral enriched States of the country;
- (d) if so, the details thereof including the total revenue earned by the NMDC during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (e) whether during recent years the existing mining capacity has declined in comparison to the targets fixed and actual targets achieved by NMDC, if so, the details thereof and the corrective measures being taken by NMDC to achieve its mining targets; and
- (f) whether irregularities in award of tender in NMDC have been reported and if so, the details thereof along with the action against these irregularities?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE  
MINISTRY OF STEEL

(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)

(a)&(b): NMDC was incorporated in 1958 with the objective of exploration and exploitation of minerals. Since inception, NMDC was involved in the exploration of a wide range of minerals including iron ore, copper, rock phosphate, limestone, dolomite, gypsum, bentonite, magnesite, diamond, tin, tungsten, graphite, beach sands etc., in order to increase the mineral resource base of the country. From 4 million tonnes of iron ore production in 1969-70, NMDC has grown continuously and produced 42.15 MT in financial year 2021-22. NMDC has a diamond mine in Panna, the only mechanized diamond mine in Asia with a capacity of 84,000 carats.

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NMDC has been conferred with Mini Ratna status in 1998 and Navratna status in 2008 by Department of Public Enterprise, Government of India. NMDC has paid about Rs.27,000 crore in dividends to the Government till date. The performance of the company has been consistently very good and above on MoU parameters.

(c)&(d): NMDC has set up its units in the following states:-

- i. Chhattisgarh
- ii. Karnataka
- iii. Madhya Pradesh
- iv. Andhra Pradesh

State-wise revenue earned by NMDC during the last three years and the current year is as follows: -

State	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	(Rs. in Crore)
				2022-23 (Apr-Sep '22)
Chhattisgarh	9,407	12,682	20,014	6,339
Karnataka	2,253	2,667	5,804	1,756
Madhya Pradesh	34	21	63	-
Telangana	5	-	1	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,699</b>	<b>15,370</b>	<b>25,882</b>	<b>8,096</b>

(e) Mining capacity of NMDC has not declined in the recent years as may be seen from following table:-

Financial Year	Mining Capacity	(In MTPA)
		Production of Iron Ore Achieved
2019-20	51.8	31.49
2020-21	51.8	34.15
2021-22	51.8	42.19

(f) No irregularities in award of tender in NMDC have been reported in recent past except one complaint which is under enquiry.

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