

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINES
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4661
ANSWERED ON 29.03.2023

AUCTION OF MINERAL BLOCKS

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Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) the revenue earned from auction of minerals blocks including block of limestone in Assam during the last five years, year-wise;
- (b) the number of minerals blocks in Assam at present along with the varieties; and
- (c) the demand of Indian minerals and quantum of minerals exported from Assam to various foreign countries during the last five years, year-wise?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF MINES, COAL AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS
(SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI)

- (a): As per the information provided by the State Government of Assam, the State Government has not auctioned any major mineral blocks including blocks of limestone, since the introduction of auction regime in 2015.
- (b): Details are given at **Annexure-I**.
- (c): Export of MCDR minerals from the country during the last five years is given at **Annexure-II**. State-wise details of export of minerals to various foreign countries are not maintained by the Ministry

Annexure-I

S No.	Mineral	Name of the Block
1	Limestone	Jamuna Nagar Mines
2	Limestone	New Umrangshu
3	Limestone	Dillai Parbat
4	Limestone	New Umrangshu
5	Limestone	New Umrangshu
6	Limestone	31 Hactor
7	Sillimanite	Chippilangshu and Hapjan
8	Quartzite	Arting Quartzite Block-1
9	Quartzite	Beygaon Quartzite Block-3
10	Quartzite	Timung Gaon Quartzite Block
11	China Clay	Upper Deopani

Annexure-II

India's export of MCDR minerals during the last five years

Mineral Type	Mineral Name	Unit	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22
Metallic Minerals	Bauxite	TON	1529308	1509738	524229	240841	378081
	Chromite	TON	81835	39273	33898	2872	2625
	Copper Ores & Conc.	TON	61005	181642	212659	82463	34827
	Gold Ores & Conc.	KG	--	1	--	++	--
	Iron Ore	THT	24204	16149	36625	57723	26324
	Lead Ores & Conc.	TON	++	37	3	9	12
	Manganese Ore	TON	44167	55845	58198	82363	113606
	Silver Ores & Conc.	KG	5000	--	--	73140	++
	Tin Ores & Conc.	TON	++	++	++	--	--
	Zinc Ores & Conc.	TON	1206	2078	317	399	1762
Non Metallic Minerals	Diamond	Crt	75208	61528	43231	37903	52698
	Garnet(Abrasive)	TON	157223	104344	74697	76799	81270
	Limestone	TON	2812253	3883757	3760402	3528973	11027878
	Magnesite	TON	9575	6268	5453	5477	5384
	Rock Phosphate	TON	395	1651	257	825	540
	Sillimanite	TON	16193	9984	1025	4998	3120
	Wollastonite	TON	12478	13786	14582	13716	11705
Other Non Metallic Minerals	Asbestos	TON	132	1112	1001	299	1906
	Flint	TON	824	790	1195	406	570
	Fluorspar	TON	468	533	1368	474	844
	Graphite(Natural)	TON	907	402	607	716	764
	Kyanite	TON	166	283	143	252	1655
	Rock Salt	TON	377504	123911	539856	317376	139127
	Siliceous Earth (Diatomite)	TON	52235	27893	4302	3240	1964
	Vermiculite	TON	454	583	634	853	1263

Source: DGCI&S, Kolkata; ++: Negligible; -- : Nil
