

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINES  
LOK SABHA**

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DIAMOND RESERVES  
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**Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:**

- (a) the status of diamond reserves/ deposits in the country including forest areas, State-wise;
- (b) the details of companies/PSUs engaged in the work of exploration of diamonds in the country; and
- (c) the details of approval sought and granted to the mining companies engaged in such activities alongwith terms and conditions in this regard?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF MINES AND MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI B.K. HANDIQUE)

(a): State-wise information on total reserves of diamond is given in the Indian Minerals Year Book published by the Indian Bureau of Mines, a copy of which has been supplied to the Parliament Library.

(b): As per available information, Geological Survey of India, National Mineral Development Corporation Limited (NMDC) and Directorate of Geology, Orissa are engaged in the work of exploration of diamonds in the country. List of companies having Reconnaissance Permit for Exploration of Diamond and other associated minerals is given in Annexure.

(c): The details of applications received from the State Governments for prior approvals of the Central Government for grant of mineral concessions and the details of prior approvals granted are given on the website of Ministry of Mines (<http://mines.gov.in>). The State Governments grant mineral concessions as per the provisions of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957, and Mineral Concession Rules, 1960.

Annexure

Sl.No. Name of the companies

1. Ramgad Minerals & Mining Pvt. Ltd.
2. De Beer Indian Pvt. Ltd.
3. ACC Riyo Tinto Exploration Ltd.
4. Premier Nickel Mines Pvt. Ltd.
5. ACC Riyo Tinto Exploration ( India ) Pvt. Ltd.
6. Jai Prakash Associated Ltd.
7. AMIL Mining India Pvt. Ltd.
8. GeoMysore Services India Pvt. Ltd.
9. Rungta Mines Ltd.
10. Vision Spoange iron Pvt. Ltd.
11. Ispat Industries Ltd.
12. Shivangi Oil Pvt. Ltd.
13. Reliance Industries Ltd.
14. NMDC Ltd.
15. Tirupati Build-Con. Pvt. Ltd.
16. Rag Mines Pvt. Ltd.
17. Moon Lake Mineral Exploration Pvt. Ltd.
18. Regent Petroleum Pvt. Ltd.
19. BHP Khanij Anveshan Ltd.
20. Decan Gold Mines Ltd.
21. Jindal Steel & Power Ltd.
22. Shaurya Diamond Ltd.
23. Major Anil Singh
24. Bengal Exploration (India) Pvt. Ltd.
25. Indo Gold Resources Pvt. Ltd.
26. Skanda Implex pvt. Ltd.