

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3737  
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GSI WORK IN KESHARIPUR  
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**Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Geological Survey of India has undertaken any work in Kesharipur area of Mayurbhanj district for exploration of Silver and Copper;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the said work has been suspended;
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the reaction of the Government to re-start the suspended work?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR MINES (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

- (a): Yes, Madam. Geological Survey of India (GSI) undertook investigation only for Copper mineralization in Kesharipur area of Mayurbhanj district.
- (b): The Kesharipur area has presence of three groups of old. workings viz., (i) Main Kesharipur block where the workings extend over a distance of about 1,000 m (ii) Madansahi block where the old workings extend over about 600 m and (iii) Dudhiasol block.
- (c): GSI has completed the said work as per schedule and the report has been circulated.
- (d): Does not arise in view of (c) above.
- (e): GSI has completed the regional resource evaluation of the area.