

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2810
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GRANT OF MINING LEASE FOR BAUXITE
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Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some proposals for approval/ grant of mining lease of Bauxite project by the Government of Chhattisgarh in favour of ``Chhattisgarh Mineral Development Corporation Limited, Raipur`` are under consideration of the Union Government;
- (b) if so, whether the repeated queries made by the Union Government same were replied by the State Government in time;
- (c) If so, the details thereof;
- (d) the reasons for non-processing of the cases till date; and
- (e) the time given by which approval is likely to be given to the proposals for speedy implementation of Bauxite project?

Answer

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

- (a): The Ministry of Mines has received 9 proposals recommended by the Government of Chhattisgarh seeking prior approval of the Central Government for grant of Mining Lease for Bauxite in favour of Chhattisgarh Mineral Development Corporation Limited.
- (b) & (c): In these cases, queries were raised to the State Government and the Indian Bureau of Mines (IBM) regarding mineralization in the recommended area, map of the area and justification for relaxation of the maximum area limits. Replies have been received recently from the State Government in respect of six proposals.
- (d): Since the proposals contained insufficient information/ documents, the State Government and the IBM were asked to furnish information to the Ministry to facilitate a decision in the matter.
- (e): Mineral concession proposals recommended by the State Governments are examined by the Ministry of Mines in the light of the provisions of the Mines & Minerals (Development & Regulation) Act, 1957 and the Rules and guidelines framed thereunder, and where necessary, in consultation with the State Governments and other agencies concerned. As such, no timeframe for disposal of the proposals can be indicated.