

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3121
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GOLD MINES UNDER MAOISTS
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Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some gold mines of the country are under the control of Naxalites / Maoists, State-wise;
- (b) if so, the number of such precious mines under the control of Naxalites/ Maoists, State wise;
- (c) whether the Government has received security check reports in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the action/steps taken by the Government thereon?

Answer

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

- (a) As per information available, there is no case where Naxalities/Maoists have any control over Gold mines.
- (b) Does not arise.
- (c)&(d) Central and State Government agencies keep regular watch over activities relating to internal security and law & order.