

State	Distt.	Quantity (million tonne)	Grade
Andhra Pradesh	Kurnool	0.4	6 gram/tonne
	Anantapur	0.11	2.02 gram/tonne
Karnataka	Chitradurga	0.6	~04 gram/tonne 100 gram/tonne (silver)
	Raichur	0.47	11.99 gram/tonne
	Dharwar	1.5	3 gram/tonne
	Tumkur	0.77 (Ajjanahalli Main Block)	2.09 gram/tonne
		0.38 (Ajjanahalli West Block)	1.3 gram/tonne
Kerala	Mallapuram	0.065	1.75 gram/tonne
	Palakkan		10.00 gram/tonne
Maharashtra	Nagpur	0.137	5.23 gram/tonne
Madhya Pradesh	Sidhi	2.1	1.28 gram/tonne
Rajasthan	Banswara	0.015 (Oxidized ore)	1.7 gram/tonne
		0.98 (Primary ore)	1.49 to 2.5 gram/tonne

Based on the economic viability of the deposits a prospective exploitation agency is free to extract gold after obtaining Prospecting Licence/Mining Lease in accordance with law.

Development of catalytic convertor for cars

951. SHRI JAYANT KUMAR MALHOUTRA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the scientists from India and Australia have embarked on a joint programme to develop a catalytic convertor for cars to reduce the alarming air pollution levels in major cities of the country, and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) and (b) Ministry of Industry is not aware of any such programme.

Revival of ailing PSUs

952. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have yet not acted in a positive direction to assist/

revive and to deal with effectively for larger good of ailing Public Sector Undertakings;

(b) whether delay has caused enough concern so as to destabilise Indian economy in the perspective of PSUs; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Opening of a Gold Jewellery show room by MMTC at Mumbai

953. SHRI PARAG CHALIHA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that MMTC has decided to open a show room at Mumbai to exhibit, sell and popularise 24/22 carat gold jewellery;

(b) the details in this regard;