GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MINES

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 132

ANSWERED ON 18.07.2022

EXPLORATION OF MINERALS IN RAJASTHAN

132#. DR. KIRODI LAL MEENA:

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has undertaken any survey for the exploration of minerals in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the States where gold and silver deposits have been found, State-wise;
- (c) whether any survey has been undertaken for exploration of minerals in Rajasthan; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, district-wise including Dausa, Alwar, Sawai Madhopur and Karauli?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF MINES, COAL AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI PRALHAD JOSHI)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Geological Survey of India (GSI) carries out reconnaissance surveys [G4], preliminary exploration surveys [G3] and general exploration surveys [G2] following the United Nations Framework Classification and Minerals (Evidence of Mineral Contents) Amendment rules, 2021 with an aim to augment resource for various mineral commodities in different parts of the country. During the Field Season 2021-22, GSI undertook 222 mineral exploration items spread across different States/UTs in country. Further, the States where resources of gold and silver have been augmented by GSI since the amendment of Mines and Minerals [Development and Regulations] Act, 2015, are as follows:

S.No.	State	District [Gold]	District [Silver]
1	Rajasthan	Alwar, Banswara	Alwar
2	Karnataka	Tumkur, Davangere, Dharward, Haveri, Raichur, Chitradurga	-
3	Madhya Pradesh	Sidhi, Katni	-
4	Maharashtra	Gadchiroli & Chandrapur	-
5	Jharkhand	East Singhbhum	-

(c) & (d): Yes, Sir. GSI and the Directorate of Mines and Geology, State Government of Rajasthan have undertaken surveys for exploration of minerals in Rajasthan. The District-wise details of these mineral surveys, including Dausa, Alwar, Sawai Madhopur and Karauli, are tabulated below:

Mineral Surveys by GSI

S. No.	District	Mineral	
1	Alwar	Copper, Gold, Silver	
2	Sawai Madhopur	Potash, Glauconite	

Mineral Surveys by Directorate of Mines and Geology, Govt. of Rajasthan

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3. NO.			
1	Ajmer	Cadmium, Copper, Lead, Zinc	
2	Alwar	Limestone, Marble, Soapstone, Silica Sand, Granite,	
		Quartz, Feldspar, Barite, Slate Stone, Masonry Stone, Red Ochre	
3	Banswara	Gold, Manganese, Marble, Limestone	
4	Baran	Limestone, Bauxite, Laterite	
5	Barmer	Gypsum, Lignite, Petroleum & Natural Gas, Fuller's Earth	
6	Bharatpur	Sandstone, Masonry Stone, Slate,	
7	Bhilwara	Copper, Lead, Zinc, Silver, Iron, Feldspar	
8	Bikaner	Gypsum, Lignite, Ball Clay, Fuller's Earth, Sandstone	
9	Bundi	Limestone, Sandstone, Marble, Clay	
10	Chittorgarh	Limestone, Sandstone, China Clay,	
11	Churu	Copper, Gypsite, Granite,	
12	Dausa	Iron Ore, Silica Sand, Amethyst, Soapstone	
13	Dholpur	Sandstone, Masonry Stone, Limestone,	
14	Dungarpur	Copper, Asbestos, Fluorite, Soapstone	
15	Hanumangarh	Gypsum, Saltpeter	
16	Jaipur	Barite, Iron Ore, Marble, Calcite	
17	Jaisalmer	Rock Phosphate, Marble, Petroleum & Natural Gas, Granite	
18	Jalore	Gypsum And Selenite, Petroleum & Natural Gas, Granite,	
		Barite	
19	Jhalawar	Limestone, Bentonite, Laterite	
20	Jhunjhunu	Calcite, Copper,	
21	Jodhpur	Sandstone, Feldspar, Rhyolite, Granite	
22	Kota	Limestone, Red Ochre, Sandstone	
23	Nagaur	Limestone, Lignite, Tungsten	
24	Pali	Limestone, China Clay, Magnesite	
25	Pratapgarh	Copper, Limestone, Marble	
26	Rajasmand	Aquamarine, Emerald, Granite, Marble	
27	Sikar	Apatite, Barite, Copper, Uranium,	
28	Sirohi	Copper, Lead, Zinc Silver, Wollastonite,	
29	Sri Ganganagar	Gypsum And Selenite	
30	Tonk	Garnet, Limestone, Granite	
31	Udaipur	Limestone, Rock Phosphate, Quartzite, Asbestos, Barite	
32	Sawai Madhopur	Limestone, Iron Ore, Quartz, Clay	
33	Karauli	Limestone, Silica Sand, , Clay, Iron Ore, Sandstone	
