MINISTRY OF MINES
MAJOR ACTIVITIES

May – 2019

➢ After the formation of new a Government, Shri Pralhad Joshi assumed the charge of Hon’ble Minister of Mines on 31.5.2019.

➢ 10 mineral blocks (5 Bauxite, 2 Copper, 1 Manganese, 1 Iron Ore and 1 Limestone) were auctioned in Maharashtra in May, 2019. Total of 64 mineral blocks with estimated resources of Rs 2.32 lakh crores have been auctioned as on 31st May, 2019. The estimated revenue to the State Governments over the lease period of these mines is Rs 1.85 lakh crores out of which the estimated auction premium is Rs 1.44 lakh crores. Further, 9 mineral blocks (4 Limestone, 4 Iron Ore and 1 Limestone & Marble) are presently under various stages of auction.

➢ A high level team of International Union of Geological Science (IUGS) lead by the President, IUGS visited India from 17.5.19 to 22.5.2019 and interacted with the 36 IGC Society to review the preparation for the mega geoscience event to be held from 2nd to 8th March, 2020 at New Delhi. The registration and abstract submission for the event have been opened on 20.5.2019.

➢ GSI has signed MoU with Guwahati University on 7.5.2019 for collaborative Academic and Research Programs leading to Ph.D. degree.

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