

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINES
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 2504 #
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USE OF DMF FOR IMPROVING ENVIRONMENT

2504 # Ms. INDU BALA GOSWAMI:

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) the percentage of funds spent through District Mineral Foundation (DMF) to improve the quality of environment in the districts where mining work is carried out;
- (b) whether funds from DMF are also used for irrigation and physical infrastructure; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF COAL AND MINES
(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (c) Section 3 of PMKKKY Guidelines 2024 mandates that at least 70% of DMF funds to be utilized under High priority sectors, including Environment preservation and pollution control measures and up to 30% of the DMF funds may be utilized in other priority sectors, including physical infrastructure, irrigation and any other measures for enhancing environmental quality in the mining affected district. Further, a total of Rs. 1,09,424 crore has been collected under DMFs, of which Rs.90,833 crore allocated for various projects including Improvement of Environment quality, irrigation and physical infrastructure in mining affected areas.
