

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINES
RAJYA SABHA
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STAR RATING BACKLOG

2664. SHRI MOHAMMED NADIMUL HAQUE:

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether 1226/2476 (50 per cent) Star rating requests are pending beyond MCDR 2017 deadlines as stated in the sixteenth report of the standing committee on coal, mines and steel;
- (b) reasons for IBM processing getting delayed despite mandates; and
- (c) incentives for compliant 5-Star mines?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR COAL AND MINES
(SHRI SATISH CHANDRA DUBEY)

(a) & (b): The star rating of mines is an annual exercise conducted by IBM. Lease holders are required to file their self-assessment reports online for the performance year ending 31st March by 1st July of the following financial year. IBM validates all these reports and star ratings are awarded. The system is fully online and transparent, with star ratings published on the portal for lease holders to access. No self-assessment report filed by a lessee for particular year remains pending for validation before filing starts for next year.

(c): The Star Rating system promotes best practices and hence has positive impact in terms of efficient mineral production, scientific mining and investment promotion in the mining sector. It is mandatory for the mine operators to maintain at least three-star rating for their leases on year-to-year basis. The five star rated mines get felicitated every year by the Hon'ble Minister of Mines in an Awards Ceremony organized by Ministry of Mines.
