GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MINES

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2551 TO BE ANSWERED ON 01ST DECEMBER, 2016

PRODUCTION OF MINERALS

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Will the Minister of **MINES** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the production of minerals in the country has increased during the last two years; and
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the minerals and mining index during the said period?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER, COAL, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) and (b): Yes Madam. Following are the key indicators substantiating the production increase:

(i) According to new series of the Gross Domestic Product, the Gross Value Added (GVA) published by Central Statistical Organization (CSO), the mining and quarrying sector as a whole, at constant prices (2011-12) has increased by 7.4% as per the details given below:

Mineral	2014-15 (NS)	2015-16 (AE)	Increase (%)	
GVA of Mining & Quarrying	296328	318377	7.4	
Sector (at constant Prices) (in Rs.				
crore)				

NS: New Series Estimates; AE: Advance Estimates as published by CSO

(ii) As per Index of Mineral Production compiled by Indian Bureau of Mines (a Sub-Ordinate office of the Ministry of Mines) major minerals recorded growth of 12.6% during 2015-16 as per details below:

Minerals	Weight	2014-15	2015-16	Growth
Major minerals*	131.397	109.5	123.3	12.6

*Minerals covered under Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 1988

(iii) Aggregate production of the major minerals on tonnage basis increased by 9.4% in 2015-16 and by 7.23% during April-September 2016-17 as per table provided below:

(Production in million tonne and growth in %)

Minerals	2014-15	2015-16	Growth		2016-17	Growth
				Apr-Sep	Apr-Sep	
Major minerals*	452.46	495.03	9.4	237.54	254.7	7.23

*excludes precious stones and metals, hydro-carbons and atomic minerals