

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF MINES**

**LOK SABHA**

**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1102  
TO BE ANSWERED ON 21.12.2017**

**Skill Development in Mining Sector**

**1102. SHRIMATI KAVITHA KALVAKUNTLA:**

Will the Minister of Mines be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Government has received any report on "Skill Development in the Mining Sector" from various quarters including Standing Committees, if any.
- (b) If so, the details thereof.
- (c) Whether the Government has any plans to re-skill or up-skill 50 to 55 per cent of the existing semi skilled manpower, and
- (d) If so, the details there of?

**ANSWER**

**THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINES AND COAL  
(SHRI HARIBHAI PARATHIBHAI CHAUDHARY)**

- (a) & (b): Yes Madam, the Government has received the 32<sup>nd</sup> report on "Skill Development in Mining Sector" from Standing Committee on Coal & Steel with their observations and recommendations. Ministry of Mines has submitted the reply giving the details on action taken on various recommendations/observations made by the Committee.
- (c) & (d): The Skill Development Plan for the Mining Sector (2016-22) envisages to prepare the human resources through continuous upgradation of the skill sets to foster adaptation of new state of art technology and to develop, design and disseminate training modules required for scientific, sustainable and safe mining practices. Its objective is to increase the capacity and quality of training infrastructure and trainers to address human resource needs by aligning supply of skilled workers and promote commitment and ownership of all the stakeholders towards Skill Development and create an effective co-ordination mechanism. The up-skilling/re-skilling of the existing workforce is being carried out under Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) and is being implemented through Skill Council for Mining Sector (SCMS) set up by National Skill Development Corporation under the Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship. The SCMS is actively engaged with mining industries both public and private sector and plans to re-skill and certify the existing semi-skilled 4 lakh manpower including that of Coal Sector over a period of 10 years. Action is also being taken by PSUs under the Ministry of Mines, such as National Aluminium Company Limited (NALCO) and Hindustan Copper Limited (HCL), to re-skill and up-skill the existing unskilled / semi-skilled employees.

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