GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3093 TO BE ANSWERED ON 31.12.2018

ACCIDENTS IN MINES

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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a)the salient features of National Minerals policy regarding mine safety and safeguards for the labourers engaged in mining works;
- (b)whether the aforesaid policy overlooks mining safety related activities along with the safety of mining labourers;
- (c)if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (d)the number of mine accidents which took place in the country during the last three years and the number of mine workers killed therein, State/UT-wise; and
- (e)the number of mine workers out of the above who have not been provided any compensation till date?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (c): Ministry of Mines has policy namely National Mineral Policy, 2008. Para 7.13 of the National Mineral Policy, 2008 on 'Mines Safety' states that

Mine Safety Mining operations are hazardous in nature. Accidents happen and often result in the loss of life or limb of persons engaged in it. Efforts must be directed towards the development and adoption of mining methods which would increase the safety of workers and reduce the accidents. Towards this end, participation and cooperation of mine workers shall be secured. Steps will also be taken to minimise the adverse impact of mining on the health of workers and the surrounding population.

(d) & (e): As per information provided by Directorate General of Mines Safety (DGMS) under Ministry of Labour and Employment, the details of the number of mine accidents which took place in the country during the last three years and the number of mine workers killed therein, State/UT-wise are attached in Annexure. The compensation is given by the respective mining companies or owners covered under the Employees' Compensation Act, 1923.

ANNEXURE REFERED TO IN REPLY TO PART (d) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3093 FOR 31.12.2018 REGARDING ACCIDENTS IN MINES

Details of no. of mine accidents and workers killed State/ UT-wise during the year 2015-2017

1. In Coal mines

State	No. of Fatal Accidents	No. of Serious accidents	Workers Killed		
2015					
Chhattisgarh	8	23	8		
Gujarat	3	0	3		
Jharkhand	11	25	11		
Madhya Pradesh	7	27	8		
Maharashtra	5	13	5		
Odisha	3	4	3		
Rajasthan	1	0	1		
Telangana	7	187	7		
Tamil Nadu	1	3	1		
West Bengal	8	20	8		
	2016				
Chhattisgarh	4	13	4		
Gujarat	0	1	0		
Jharkhand	23	15	46		
Madhya Pradesh	12	24	13		
Maharashtra	3	14	3		
Odisha	2	4	2		
Telangana	10	176	12		
Tamil Nadu	2	1	2		
Uttar Pradesh	1	0	1		
West Bengal	10	20	11		
2017					
Chhattisgarh	7	6	7		
Jharkhand	11	14	12		
Madhya Pradesh	6	11	8		
Maharashtra	3	7	4		
Odisha	5	2	5		
Rajasthan	1	0	1		
Telangana	12	137	13		
Tamil Nadu	1	0	1		
Uttar Pradesh	1	1	1		
West Bengal	9	5	9		

2. In Metal mines

State	No. of Fatal Accidents	No. of Serious accidents	Workers Killed	
2015				
Andhra Pradesh	4	0	5	
Chhattisgarh	1	4	1	
Himachal Pradesh	0	1	0	
Jharkhand	1	2	1	
Karnataka	3	5	3	
Kerala	0	1	0	
Madhya Pradesh	0	1	0	

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State	No. of Fatal Accidents	Serious accidents	Workers Killed	
Maharashtra	1	0	1	
Odisha	2	1	2	
Rajasthan	19	7	20	
Telangana	1	0	1	
Tamil Nadu	4	0	4	
Uttar Pradesh	5	0	5	
	2016			
Andhra Pradesh	6	0	8	
Chhattisgarh	2	8	2	
Goa	0	1	0	
Haryana	1	0	1	
Jharkhand	3	2	6	
Karnataka	3	1	4	
Kerala	0	5	0	
Madhya Pradesh	2	3	2	
Maharashtra	2	2	3	
Odisha	1	1	1	
Rajasthan	5	4	5	
Telangana	0	1	0	
Tamil Nadu	4	2	6	
Uttaranchal	1	0	1	
Uttar Pradesh	1	0	3	
	2017		1	
Andhra Pradesh	7	0	16	
Chhattisgarh	0	5	0	
Goa	1	0	1	
Haryana	1	0	1	
Jharkhand	2	1	2	
Karnataka	4	1	5	
Kerala	0	2	0	
Madhya Pradesh	1	1	1	
Maharashtra	2	0	2	
Odisha	3	1	4	
Rajasthan	16	1	23	
Telangana	1	0	1	
Tamil Nadu	6	0	9	
West Bengal	1	0	2	

3. In Oil mines

State	No. of Fatal Accidents	No. of Serious accidents	Workers Killed
	2015		
Andhra Pradesh	0	1	0
Assam	1	6	1
Gujarat	1	6	2
Madhya Pradesh	1	0	1
Tripura	1	0	1
	2016		
Assam	5	3	5
Gujarat	1	3	1
Tamil Nadu	0	1	0
West Bengal	3	0	3
	2017		
Assam	0	5	0
Gujarat	1	4	1
