

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINES**

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3002

TO BE ANSWERED ON 04TH AUGUST, 2016

DECLINE IN PRODUCTION OF MINING SECTOR

3002. SHRI JANARDAN SINGH SIGRIWAL

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

- (a) whether the mining sector has started experiencing a decline in production thereby affecting the manufacturing sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken/to be taken to improve the situation?

ANSWER

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

(a): No, Madam. The index of MCDR minerals (coming under the purview of the Mineral Conservation and Development Rules, 1988) has shown growth of 12.6% in 2015-16 comparison to that of the previous year. The average index of MCDR minerals for the period of April to May 2016-17 has increased by 17.8% as compared to the same period of the previous year. The Index of MCDR mineral production is given below:

(Base Year: 2004-05=100)

Mineral Group	Full Year		Percentage of increase	Average Index		Percentage of increase
	2014-15(R)	2015-16(P)		April-May 2015-16	April-May 2016-17	
MCDR Minerals	109.5	123.2	12.6	117.3	138.2	17.8

(R): Revised;

(P): Provisional;

Source: Indian Bureau of Mines

(b) and (c): Does not arise in view of the reply given to (a) above.
