

Loss of employment due to closure of mines

1068. SHRI PYARIMOHAN MOHAPATRA: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that there is a large scale loss of employment in the mining sector due to closure of a large number of mines in different parts of the country;

(b) if so, the State-wise details of such loss of employment and reasons for the same; and

(c) the steps being taken to ameliorate the condition of the distressed mining workers and the timeline for such action?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI): (a) and (b) The State-wise details of average daily employment in mines, as reported by mines management, during the year 2011-2013 is given in the Statement (*See below*). During this period, the number of average daily employment at all India level in coal as well as oil & gas mines has declined, and increased in non-coal mines.

(c) Matters relating to safety, health and welfare of persons employed in mines are covered under the provisions of Mines Act, 1952 and the rules and regulations made thereunder. Officers of Directorate General of Mines Safety make periodic inspections of mines and suitable measures such as notices, prohibitory orders are issued to ensure compliance of statutory provisions to ensure safety, health and welfare of workers.

Statement

The State-wise details of average daily employment in mines during the year 2011-2013

State/UT	2011			2012 (P)			2013 (P)		
	Coal	Non- Coal	Oil & Gas	Coal	Non- Coal	Oil & Gas	Coal	Non- Coal	Oil & Gas
Andaman and Nicobar Islands	-	58	-	-	58	-	-	58	-
Andhra Pradesh	65409	12507	1324	61091	14613	2018	57058	17074	3076
Arunachal Pradesh	408	-	191	408	-	142	408	-	106
Assam	2075	212	9430	1948	156	5664	1829	115	3402
Bihar	-	389	-	-	380	47	-	371	47
Chhattisgarh	32616	9912	-	34041	10215	-	35528	10527	-
Goa	-	8018	-	-	8159	-	-	8302	-
Gujarat	2837	3578	12458	2531	3544	9698	2258	3510	7549
Haryana	-	4465	-	-	4465	-	-	4465	-
Himachal Pradesh	-	1129	-	-	1193	-	-	1261	-
Jammu and Kashmir	641	122	-	616	159	-	592	207	-
Jharkhand	94873	18138	108	89876	18475	206	85142	18818	393
Karnataka	-	16333	-	-	15632	-	-	14961	-

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Kerala	-	2180	-	-	1903	-	-	1661	-
Madhya Pradesh	45373	10687	206	48203	10915	254	51210	11148	313
Maharashtra	27505	6503	-	27172	7353	-	26843	8314	-
Meghalaya	-	561	-	-	507	-	-	458	-
Odisha	19248	39824	-	20149	43114	-	21092	46676	-
Puducherry	-	-	-	-	-	711	-	-	711
Rajasthan	1229	23700	910	1640	24413	1944	2188	25147	4153
Tamil Nadu	9041	10390	858	9041	10649	595	9041	10914	413
Tripura	-	-	1063	-	-	139	-	-	18
Uttar Pradesh	8547	756	-	8624	777	-	8702	799	-
Uttarakhand	-	1983	-	-	1935	-	-	1888	-
West Bengal	56235	1330	799	53174	1496	1371	50280	1683	2352
TOTAL	366037	172775	27347	358514	180111	22789	352171	188357	22533

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