GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2876 ANSWERED ON:12.12.2006 HAZARD IN MINING INDUSTRY Nandy Shri Amitava

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a)Whether the ILO has identified vibration as an occupational hazard in mining industry; and

(b) If so, the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to save the mining workers from such hazards?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY)

(a). Yes, Sir.

(b). As per the provisions of the Mines and Minerals(Development & Regulation) Act, 1957. Mining Plan duly approved, is mandatory for obtaining a mining lease. The Mining Plan provides for undertaking safe, systematic and scientific mining operation. As per Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 1988 all mining operation has to be carried out in accordance with mining plans and in case of any failure in this regard, the rules provide that an authorized officer may order suspension of all or any of the mining operation and permit only such operations as may be necessary to restore the conditions in the mines.