## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINES LOK SABHA

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

- (a) whether several mines were inspected by the Indian Bureau of Mines (IBM) in the recent past;
- (b) if so, the details of the shortcomings noticed in such inspections; and
- (c) the action taken by the Government thereon?

## **Answer**

THE MINISTER OF MINES AND MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI B. K. HANDIQUE)

(a) to (c): Against an annual target for inspection of 2000 mines for the year 2010-11, the Indian Bureau Mines has inspected 903 mines till 30th September, 2010 and pointed out 860 violations in 380 mines, of which 288 violations have been rectified so far. Separately the Indian Bureau of Mines had constituted Special Task Forces for inspection of mines in endemic areas. The inspections were conducted in Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Orissa, Jharkhand and Gujarat covering 212 mines. As a result, mining activities have been ordered by the Indian Bureau of Mines to be suspended in 82 mines. Further, the Indian Bureau of Mines have recommended for termination of three leases and issued show causes for minor violations in 64 cases.