

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:861

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``NEGLECTING OF SOCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY``

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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a): whether some companies including private sector mining companies are neglecting the social accountability in mining fields in the country;
- (b): if so, the details thereof;
- (c): whether the Government has received complaints against private sector mining companies regarding neglecting social accountability in 'Lohardaga' district of Jharkhand;
- (d): if so, the details thereof; and
- (e): the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN):

- (a) to (d): No specific instance has been brought to the notice of this Ministry regarding neglect of social accountability by the companies including private sector mining in the country during 2011-12.
- (e): Does not arise in view of reply to parts (a) to (d) above.