GOVERNMENT OF INDIA LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA

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REGULAR SAFETY INSPECTION IN MINES
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the experts expressed concern over the less frequent safety inspection by Directorate General of Mines Safety (DGMS) in mines;
- (b) if so, the reaction of the Union Government thereto;
- (c) the steps taken by the Union Government to take concrete measures to ensure regular safety inspection by DGMS in mines;
- (d) whether the rate of death and serious injury are increasing continuously in mines; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof alongwith the number of persons killed and injured in mine accidents during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI HARISH RAWAR)

- (a): Yes, Madam.
- (b) & (c): The issue of strengthening of Directorate General of Mines Safety (DGMS) has been examined by a Work Study Committee. The recommendations of the Work Study Committee have been accepted by the Government. Additional post for expansion of DGMS have been created.
- (d) & (e): No, Madam. Details of number of accidents, persons killed and seriously injured as well as rate of death per 1000 persons employed and rate of seriously injured persons per 1000 persons employed for the last three years and the current year are given in Annexure.