

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINES
LOK SABHA**

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CLOSURE OF UNPRODUCTIVE MINES

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Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government maintains any data of number of unproductive mines lying closed for various reasons in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the number of mines lying closed/ temporarily closed along with the number of labourers rendered jobless thereby, State/UT-wise;
- (c) whether the Government has any policy or fund for revival of closed mines and rehabilitation of labourers;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the further rehabilitation measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF MINES (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

- (a) & (b): No, Madam. However, state-wise details on non-working mines as on 1.4.2011 is given in Annexure.
- (c): There is no policy /fund for revival of closed mines and rehabilitation of laborers in the Ministry of Mines.
- (d) & (e): Does not arise in view of reply to (c) above.