

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINES
LOK SABHA**

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MANPOWER IN MINING SECTOR
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Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of workers employed in mines in the country at present, State/UT-wise;
- (b) whether there is a need/requirement of additional manpower for exploitation of all the mines in the country; and
- (c) if so, the details of additional manpower required in this regard, State/UT-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF MINES (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a): As per information made available by Indian Bureau of Mines (a sub-ordinate office of the Ministry of Mines), the number of workers in mines excluding fuel, atomic and minor minerals mines in the country is given in Annexure.

(b) and (c): The Central Government has prepared a strategic plan document "Unlocking the potential of the Indian Mineral Sector". As per the Strategy Paper, the mining sector has the potential to create 13 to 15 million jobs through direct and indirect contribution by 2025 in the country.