

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINES
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PERFORMANCE REVIEW OF IBM
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Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any annual performance review of Indian Bureau of Mines (IBM) has been undertaken in the recent past;
- (b) if so, the details and outcome thereof;
- (c) whether any new decisions have been taken by the Government to boost its functioning after the said review; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the success achieved as a result thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF MINES (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a) to (d): Performance review of Indian Bureau of Mines (IBM) is regularly undertaken by the Ministry of Mines.

In the year 2013-14, Secretary, Mines (27th July, 2013) and concerned Joint Secretary (16 – 17 April, 2013 and 30th October, 2013) reviewed the performance of IBM.

Important decisions taken in the review meetings, inter alia, include Development of dynamic training strategy for human resource development; Carrying out Task Force Inspections to curb Illegal Mining; Appointment of Advisors for Sub-sector Development Plans for Copper, Aluminium, Lead & Zinc and Chromite; Setting up of video-conferencing facilities between IBM offices; Amendment of Mineral Concession Rules, 1960 and Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 1988; Introduction of External Audit of MCDR Inspections; Blacklisting of Mining Firms involved in illegal mining; Revision of UNFC Guidelines; Implementation of Rule 45 of Mineral Conservation & Development Rules, 1988; Implementation of non-legislative measures from National Mineral Policy, 2008; Finalization of Request For Proposal for Mining Tenement System; and monitoring progress of Results Framework Document 2013-14.

Accordingly, Task Force Inspections to curb Illegal Mining have been initiated in mineral rich States and so far, 70 such inspections have been conducted. Two Advisers have been appointed for Sub-sector Development Plans for Copper, Aluminium, Lead & Zinc and Chromite and Zero Waste Mining flow sheets. Two workshops to chalk out the strategy for Sustainable Development Framework implementation have been organized at Nagpur and Bhubaneswar in 2013. Work order has been issued to National Informatics Centre for setting up video-conferencing facilities between IBM offices. Request For Proposal for Mining Tenement System has been finalized and Tender notice hosted on IBM website and e-Portal on 03.12.2013.