

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINES
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:160
ANSWERED ON:02.12.2005
INDUSTRIAL HOUSES IN MINING SECTOR
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Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a large number of industrial houses have shown interest in mining sector;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of mines allotted in public sector/private sector during the last three years; and
- (d) the total revenue earned by the Government from this sector during the last three years ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF MINES (SHRI SIS RAM OLA)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO STARRED QUESTION NO. 160 FOR ANSWER IN THE LOK SABHA ON 2ND DECEMBER, 2005 REGARDING "INDUSTRIAL HOUSES IN MINING SECTOR" ASKED BY SHRI SURENDRA PRAKASH GOYAL.

(a)&(b) :A large number of companies have applied for mineral concessions. Mineral concessions are granted by State Governments. Prior approval of this Ministry is required in respect of atomic minerals and ten metallic and non-metallic major minerals. 323 prior approvals were given in the last three years by Ministry of Mines of which 244 were in favour of companies.

(c): The details of mining leases granted by the State Governments for all major minerals in public and private sector during the last three years are as under:-

| Sl.No. | Details | 2002-2003 | 2003-2004 | 2004-2005 | Total |
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| (1) | Mining leases for all major minerals granted in favour of private sector (individuals and companies) by the State Governments. | 373 | 285 | 239 | 897 |
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| (2) | Mining leases for all major minerals granted in favour of public sector undertaking by the State Governments. | 6 | 10 | 5 | 21 |
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| GRAND TOTAL | | 379 | 295 | 244 | 918 |
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(d): Revenues are collected and retained by the State Governments and information in this regard is not maintained centrally by the Ministry of Mines.