

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3655
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EFFECTS OF E & F POLICY ON MINING OPERATIONS
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether mining operations are getting affected in Rajasthan due to Environment & Forest policy of the Government, and
- (b) if so, the number of such mines wherein mining work got affected on this count during the last three years and current year?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT & FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

- (a) No, Sir. The existing environment and forest policy of the Government permits mining in a sustainable manner, whereby mining operations can be undertaken as per the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification, 1994 and Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980. Mining units that have obtained environmental and forestry clearance, thereunder, are permitted to undertake mining operations.
- (b) Does not arise.