

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
LOK SABHA**

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OCCUPATIONAL HAZARDS IN HEAVY INDUSTRIES
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Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that deaths due to occupational hazards or accidents have increased in Heavy Industries;
- (b) if so, whether the Government proposes to impart any specific training programmes to workers for observing safety measures during the working hours in Heavy Industries to curb casualties; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI ARUN YADAV)

(a): No increase in deaths due to occupational hazards or accidents is noticed in 32 operational Public Sector Enterprises under Department of Heavy Industry involving 92831 employees.

(b)&(c): The Public Sector Enterprises (PSEs) under Department of Heavy Industry have been taking utmost care towards the safety of its employees and have laid down safety policies to ensure compliance of safety measure. The PSEs are required to appoint a Safety Officer who ensures adherence to safety norms. Jobs/areas of hazardous nature are identified in the PSEs, wherein adequate safeguards are provided. Regular in-house training programmes mock drills/demonstrations etc. are conducted for workers for observing safety measures at the workplace.