GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MINES

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2032 TO BE ANSWERED ON 16TH DECEMBER 2015

ILLEGAL MINING

2032 SHRI. HUSAIN DALWAI:

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the State-wise cases of illegal mining reported since January, 2010 till date;

(b) how many recovery notices have been issued in cases of illegal mines since January, 2010 till date, the State-wise details thereof;

(c) the State-wise total amount that is sought to be recovered;

(d) how much money has been recovered State-wise against these recovery notices since January, 2010 till date; and

(e) what steps are being taken by the Ministry to implement the recommendations of the Justice M.B. Shah Commission Report?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR MINES AND STEEL (SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI)

(a) to (d): State Governments are empowered, under Section 23C of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 (**MMDR Act, 1957**) to make rules for prevention of illegal mining, transportation and storage of minerals; and, therefore, matters relating to illegal mining come under the legislative and administrative jurisdiction of State Governments.

However, based on the quarterly returns on illegal mining submitted by various State Governments to Indian Bureau of Mines (**IBM**) (a subordinate office under the Ministry of Mines), state-wise details of instances of illegal mining reported in various parts of the country since January, 2010 till June, 2015 along with the details of action taken by the State Governments thereon including details of realization of fines is given in **ANNEXURE**.

The specific details of number of recovery notices issued and the sum recovered against these notices are not maintained centrally.

(e): Justice M B Shah Commission of Inquiry has submitted three reports on the State of Goa, two reports on the State of Odisha and one report on the State of Jharkhand to the Government. The Ministry of Mines prepared 'Memorandum of Action Taken' (ATR) on the Commission's reports on the basis of the inputs received from the State Governments concerned and other Central Ministries/Departments concerned. The Ministry has laid the reports of the Commission along with the ATRs in the Parliament. There is no action pending on part of the Ministry of Mines for implementation of the recommendations of the Shah Commission.

Action in this regard is being taken by the State Governments and Central Ministries/Departments concerned.

ANNEXURE REFERRED IN REPLY TO RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2032 FOR REPLY ON 16.12.2015 REGARDING 'ILLEGAL MINING' ASKED BY SHRI HUSAIN DALWAI

Illegal mining cases									Action taken from 2009-10 to 2015-16 (Up to Quarter ending June – 2015)			
Sr. No.	State	2009-10	2010- 11	2011- 12	2012- 13	2013 - 14	2014 - 15	2015 – 16 (Quarter ending June – 2015)	FIR Lodged	Court Cases Filed	Vehicle Seized	Fine realized by State Govt.
									(Nos.)	(Nos.)	(No.)	(Rs. Lakh)
1	Andaman & Nicobar	0	0	3	0	n.r.	n. r.	n. r.	0	0	0	0.1
2	Andhra Pradesh	15530	13939	19913	16592	7692	9379	2004	20	538	2	16908.924
3	Assam	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	Chhattisgarh	2606	2017	2946	3238	3996	5040	1746	90	18575	1139	4322.001
5	Goa	12	13	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	137	3.339
6	Gujarat	4020	2184	3485	6023	5447	5716	973	425	30	10795	47239.885
7	Haryana	1437	3446	2022	3517	3589	5333	1209	928	19	0	3637.056
8	Himachal Pradesh	1398	1213	1289	0	n.r.	n. r.	n. r.	186	1189	0	97.116
9	Jharkhand	15	199	364	663	901	1162	441	1941	207	1199	2009.24
10	Karnataka	4692	6476	6691	6677	8509	8464	2375	1024	681	47748	11866.536
11	Kerala	1847	2028	3175	4550	4448	4172	655	0	0	0	2766.697
12	Madhya Pradesh	5782	4245	7147	7169	6725	8173	2911	2801	41776	528	18710.613
13	Maharashtra	26283	34265	40642	42918	36476	32717	6381	12	1	201572	25470.7
14	Mizoram	0	0	2	16	21	26	n. r.	1	0	0	2.342
15	Odisha	487	420	309	314	76	104	22	15	40	1166	5442.713
16	Punjab	131	754	314	19	n.r.	n. r.	n. r.	141	0	122	428.325
17	Rajasthan	4690	1833	1201	2861	2953	2945	687	2978	84	3786	5167.269
18	Tamilnadu	273	277	123	295	1078	205	12	7918	562	58199	16411.518
19	Telangana	-	-	-	-	-	3311	1365	0	0	2	1083.426
20	Uttar Pradesh	-	4641	4708	3266	6777	10402	2020	0	0	0	8826.57
21	West Bengal	113	239	269	479	n.r.	n. r.	270	1467	128	1488	0
Grand Total		69316	78189	94604	98597	88689	97149	23071	19947	63830	327883	170394.37

Statement showing Year wise State wise Cases of Illegal Mining for Major & Minor Minerals (combined)

n. r. – quarterly return not received.