

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF MINES
LOK SABHA
STARRED QUESTION No. †*254
ANSWERED ON 06.08.2025

DMF GOVERNING COUNCILS

†*254. SHRI MAHESH KASHYAP:

SMT. ROOPKUMARI CHOUDHARY:

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has established District Mineral Foundation (DMF) and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) the amount of funds collected, sanctioned and spent in various sectors under the DMF in the country State-wise including various divisions/regions in Chhattisgarh and Rajasthan;
- (c) whether it is mandatory to obtain financial sanction for the expenditure of the said amount collected under the said Foundation from the State Governments and if so, the details along with the reasons therefor;
- (d) the total number of complaints received and resolved so far under the Grievance Redressal Mechanism in this regard;
- (e) whether the provisions for inclusion of elected representatives in the Governing Councils have been followed uniformly across the country and if so, the details thereof;
- (f) whether the Tribal Advisory Councils or Gram Sabhas have opposed the use of DMF fund and if so, the response of the Government thereto;
- (g) whether the Government proposes to formulate a policy so as to utilise the excess amount of DMF fund in needy districts of the States; and
- (h) whether the Government proposes to appoint public representative as the Chairman of the DMF in place of present system?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF COAL AND MINES
(SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (h): A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

THE STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *254 REGARDING 'DMF GOVERNING COUNCILS' ASKED BY SHRI MAHESH KASHYAP AND SMT. ROOPKUMARI CHOUDHARY, MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT FOR REPLY ON 6TH AUGUST 2025.

(a) Section 9B of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957 mandates that the State Government shall, by notification, establish a District Mineral Foundation(DMF) in every district in the country affected by mining related operations. So far, 646 DMFs have been established covering 23 States across the country.

(b) the total amount of funds collected, sanctioned and spent in various sectors under the DMF in the country State-wise including Chhattisgarh and Rajasthan is given at annexure-I.

(c) Section-6 of PMKKKY Guidelines 2024 stipulates that the approval of funds from DMF lies solely with the Governing Council of DMF. The State Government or State Level Committee(by whatever name called) shall not have overarching authority on sanction of projects, approval of funds/expenditure and their function shall be limited to monitoring effective implementation of projects sanctioned under PMKKKY.

(d) Section 12 of PMKKKY Guidelines 2024 stipulates that a three tier grievance redressal mechanism at district, state and national level shall be devised and implemented to redress each grievance and suitable reply is given to the complainant within the stipulated time frame. However, there is no centralized data maintained in this respect at State level.

(e) Section 4 of PMKKKY Guidelines 2024 outlines that the composition and functions of the DMF shall be as may be prescribed by the State Government in the State DMF rules. The PMKKKY Guidelines 2024 mandates inclusion of elected representatives such as Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha, Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha, Members of Legislative Assembly and Members of Legislative Council as a member in Governing Council of DMFs.

(f) No such cases related to opposition to the use of DMF fund by Tribal Advisory Councils or Gram Sabhas has come to notice of the Ministry of Mines.

(g) and (h) No such proposal is under consideration as on date.

Annexure-I

(Rs. in Cr.)

S.No.	State	Collection	High Priority Sector		Other Priority Sector	
			Allocation	Spent	Allocation	Spent
1	Andhra Pradesh	2375.05	939.37	488.71	1341.82	517.41
2	Assam	281.53	92.91	70.87	48.54	35.35
3	Bihar	189.38	54.87	43.57	37.81	16.12
4	Chhattisgarh	15402.43	10781.14	7555.80	5402.58	3790.71
5	Goa	239.38	97.05	57.15	15.45	10.31
6	Gujarat	1912.37	1120.57	581.41	425.86	223.12
7	Haryana	91.24	-	-	-	-
8	Himachal Pradesh	376.79	99.70	36.58	107.37	37.45
9	Jammu & Kashmir	88.85	31.01	24.00	17.78	10.88
10	Jharkhand	13791.40	7342.67	5211.45	3012.74	1467.96
11	Karnataka	5919.46	2597.63	1181.57	1602.51	925.90
12	Kerala	111.23	0	0	0	0
13	Madhya Pradesh	8604.71	2555.25	2105.98	2087.09	1262.12
14	Maharashtra	6680.41	3011.49	1772.51	1907.92	1127.76
15	Meghalaya	89.18	7.14	3.14	6.54	4.54
16	Odisha	31323.53	19186.97	13324.99	7432.85	4211.83
17	Punjab	276.39	0	0	0	0
18	Rajasthan	10833.39	4090.58	1863.74	6398.50	3269.89
19	Tamil Nadu	1657.40	570.79	489.75	468.48	429.76
20	Telangana	6134.25	2231.67	1448.77	4390.86	2931.45
21	Uttar Pradesh	2376.21	498.02	409.79	560.53	397.82
22	Uttarakhand	491.63	98.24	55.35	91.07	69.43
23	West Bengal	177.69	45.60	30.14	23.80	18.46