VIDEO CONFERENCE WITH THE PRIME MINISTER OF PRADHAN MANTRI KHANIJ KSHETRA KALYAN YOJAMA (PMKKKY) One of the amendment provisions of MMDR Amendment Act, 2015 is the establishment of District Mineral/ Foundation (DMF) in any district affected by mining related operations. The object of the programme is to work for the interest and benefit of persons, and areas affected by mining related operations. The DMES are to be funded by statutory contributions from holders of mining lease. The Pradhan Mantri Khanij Kshetra Kalyan Tojana (PMKKKY) will be implemented by DMFs of the respective districts using the funds accruing to the DMF. At least 60% of PMKKKY funds will be utilized for high priority areas like: (i) drinking water supply; (ii) environment preservation and pollution control measures; (iii) health care (iv) education; (v) welfare of women and children; (vi) Sanitation etc. The rest of the funds will be utilized for the following: (i) physical infrastructure; (ii) irrigation; (iii) energy and watershed development; and (iv) any other measures for enhancing environmental quality in mining district. Directions have also been issued to all States, on 16th September, 2015, to incorporate PMKKKY into the rules framed by them for DMFs. The rate of contribution to DMF are as follows: (a) 10% of royalty in respect of mining leases granted on or after 12.1.2015; and (b) 30% of royalty in respect of mining leases granted before 12.1.2015 State Governments have been requested to send the details of the ongoing schemes implemented under PMKKK to the Ministry of Mines. Governments of Odisha, Jharkhand & Chhattisgarh have done the good work to implement the scheme. ISSUES & DIFFICULTIES FOR CONSIDERATION Response / Status [Maximum Limit: 70 Words Issue 1. State Governments should accord the priority to the implementation of this scheme. 2. State Governments need to develop web portals so that monitoring of DMF progress is facilitated.

3. State Governments to provide information of scheme launched.

4. State Governments of Gujarat, Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra need to give more focus on the scheme.

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