EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Mining Census provides data on employment size, employment cost, industrial & miscellaneous costs, indirect taxes, production of various minerals, gross value of production and census value added at national and provincial level. The overall response rate in this Census is 67 %.

The Mining Census covers establishments engaged in mining and quarrying activities relating to extraction of minerals and fossil fuels whether solid, liquid or gas both in private and public sectors. Earlier the term "Census of Mining Industries" (CMI) was used. Now it has been changed to "Census of Mining & Quarrying Industries" (CMQI) in order to avoid confusion with "Census of Manufacturing Industries" (CMI).

The main objective of CMQI is to obtain production data and the input structure. Production of major minerals taking last two years data have been presented in the following table, while all the minerals production data for six years is given in tables 7-11 in this report. Limestone and natural gas have shown marked increase in 2004-05 over 2003-04, whereas other minerals in the given tables have shown minor increase. Quantum index¹ of minerals production have also been appended in this report for the benefit of users.

Minerals Production

Type of Minerals	2003-04	2004-05	
	Production	Production	% Change
Coal (M.Tons)	3,300,066	3,367,021	2.03
Crude Oil (000 BBLS)	22,625	24,119	6.60
Lime Stone (M.Tons)	13,150,127	14,857,479	12.98
Natural Gas (MMCFT)	1,202,752	1,344,953	11.82
Rock Salt (M.Tons)	1,639,516	1,648,223	0.53

Quantum Index of Minerals Production

Years	1999-00= 100	1980-81= 100	1975-76= 100
1999-00	100.0	307.5	468.8
2000-01	105.6	316.8	497.6
2001-02	112.5	332.7	524.6
2002-03	119.6	354.8	572.4
2003-04	134.8	377.2	597.2
2004-05	148.9	418.1	655.5

Source: Table-1, P.1 of CMQI, 2004-05. Source: Directorate of provincial minerals departments.

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¹ The weights of quantum index are according to the value added in the respective base year and index numbers have been worked out by FBS.