STATUTORY FRAMEWORK OF DGMS

Under the Constitution of India, the Safety, Welfare and health of Workers employed in mines are the concern of the Central Government (Entry 55- Union List- Article 246). The objective is regulated by the Mines Act, 1952 and the Rules and Regulations framed thereunder. Directorate General of Mines Safety, DGMS in short is the Regulatory Agency Under the Ministry of Labour and Employment, government of India, in matters pertaining to occupational safety, health and welfare of persons employed in mines (Coal, Metalliferous and Oil-Mines). Apart from administering the Mines Act and the subordinate legislation there under, DGMS also administers a few other allied legislations, including the Indian Electricity Act.

Safety, Health & Welfare Legislation for Mines

- > The Mines Act, 1952
- Rules & Regulations framed under the Act
 - The Coal Mines Regulations, 2017
 - The Metalliferous Mines Regulations, 1961
 - The Oil Mines Regulations, 2017
 - The Mines Rules, 1955
 - The Mines Vocational Training Rules, 1966
 - The Mines Rescue Rules, 1985
 - > The Mines Creche Rules, 1966

Indian Electricity Act, 2003

The Central Electricity Authority (Measures relating to Safety and Electric Supply) Regulations, 2023

Allied Legislations

- ➤ The Factories Act, 1948-Chapter III & IV
- ➤ The Manufacture, storage & Impart of Hazardous Chemicals Rules, 1989
- > The Under Environmental (Protection) Act, 1986
- > The Land Acquisition (Mines Act), 1895
- > The Coal Mines Conservation & Development Act, 1974