

# **Major Initiatives & Achievements**

# 1. Mines & Minerals remained the best performing Department w.r.t achievement of revenue targets

- Mines & Minerals Department, was assigned a non-tax revenue receipt target of **Rs.12 billion** for the financial year 2022-23, against which the department has been able to achieve **Rs.14.89 billion i.e. Rs. 2.89 billions or 24%** over and above the original assigned target. **This is the best performance by any Department in Punjab.**
- This feat has been achieved despite the **overall slowdown in economy, less consumption of mineral based construction materials and other numerous impediments** created by unscrupulous elements.
- **The department is now fully geared to collect double Revenue than previous year (100% more)** in accordance with Revenue Plan already submitted to the Chief Minister, Punjab, provided necessary support is provided and legal pitfalls are overcome.

## **2. Prepared Revenue Generation Plan to Increase Revenue up-to Rs. 150 billions**

- **As an ingenious initiative, realizing the sublime responsibility to increase revenue, a detailed Revenue Generation Plan has been prepared in consultation with Attached Departments**
- **The same has been duly submitted to the Chief Minister, Punjab.**
- **Implementation on the Revenue General Plan through Weekly Reports and daily monitoring is already underway**
- **This will help realize full potential of Mines & Minerals sector for the overall socio-economic improvement of the citizens.**

### 3. De-Notification of Skewed Rock Salt Policies- A Great Leap Forward to Earn Export Target of 13 Billion \$ in 3-5 years

- 56 persons/ entities were doled out approx. 100,000 acres of the precious Himalayan Rock Salt, in contravention of the terms & conditions without any open auction
- The incumbent Government de-notified the policy which had legalized the reckless largesse in flagrant violation of the Rules and the principles of propriety.
- This action of incumbent Government will result in **exports worth more than 13 billions dollars** in next 3-5 years
- Additionally, this will stop haemorrhage of the most precious resource of the Punjab and will give extra benefits worth billions of dollars in the shape of provincial and federal taxes, employment generation and remarkable improvement of social economic indicators





## 4. Establishment of District Mines & Minerals Committees in all Districts of Punjab- a First Time Initiative

- District Mines & Minerals Committees (DMMCs) have been constituted vide notification dated 22.08.2023 under the concerned Deputy Commissioners
- To tackle the issues of **unauthorized excavation of minerals, recovery of outstanding government dues & attract new investors.**
- Will reduce the coordination gap between the mines and minerals department and the administration.

## 5. Submitted Proposal to SIFC for ban on Export & Geographical Indication (GI) of Raw Pink Rock Salt

- ▶ Presently, edible raw Pink Salt is being sold by the lessees for around 20\$ per ton (1000 Kgs) whereas, in foreign markets/ stores it fetches more than 10\$ per 1 Kg.
- ▶ Hence, proposal submitted for Ban export of & GI for Raw Pink Rock Salt
  - ▶ To ensure value added export of precious Pink Rock Salt
  - ▶ To earn top dollar instead of selling Pink Salt a dozen a dime to other nations
  - ▶ **To encourage investors to install Pink Rock Salt Industry**
  - ▶ To shift Pink Rock Salt related industry to Punjab from abroad
  - ▶ To earn full potential of 13 Billion \$ in next 3-5 years instead of few million \$

## 6. Punitive Actions against theft of minerals in last 03 months (after formulation of KPIs)

<b><i>Istaghasajaat</i></b>	<b>184</b>
<b>FIRs</b>	<b>83</b>
<b>Inspections</b>	<b>1124</b>
<b>Arrests</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>Prosecutions</b>	<b>237</b>

## 7. Open Competition Instead of Doling Out Grants through Applications

- Some minerals were being granted through applications instead of open auction.
- Applications for grant of prospecting licenses were pending since the year 2001.
- Grant of some minerals through application **involved discretion & malpractices.**
- Issued Order and stopped all awards of contracts through applications and, instead, started awarding contracts through Open Competitions to the highest bidder only
- By this action, around **1040 applications for different mineral bearing areas,** which were lying idle for decades will be put into open auctions, injecting **Billions of Rupees,** depending upon the bids received, into state exchequer.

## **8. Zero Tolerance Against Corrupt Practices**

- **Removed officers from key posts and proceedings initiated against them if proofs of grave violations received**
- **Absolute Zero tolerance for “Commissions” and corruption**
- **Proceedings for Dismissal from Service is ensured if any proof of corruption is provided**
- Dozens of Writ Petitions filed by criminals and monopolists to create impediments against change in culture of the Department.

## 9. Stoppage of illegal Mining and Feasibility Study of **Placer Gold** Deposits in **River Indus, Attock**

- Incumbent government took extra-ordinary steps and prepared strategy to stop illegal mining of **Placer Gold deposits in River Indus, district Attock.**
- **Resultantly, for the first time in history theft of Placer Gold was completely stopped**
- Conducted **feasibility of Placer Gold** through Geological Survey of Pakistan (GSP)
- Blocks/zones for excavation of Placer Gold are being prepared for the first time in Punjab
- Auction through Open Auction earning **billions of rupees of bid money and yearly payment of royalty.**

# Secretary Mines Visit to Placer Gold Deposit on 31.10.2023



# Surface Samples in Lab for Further Processing

## Placer Gold Project in Indus River



# Sub-surface Drilling Based on Geological & Geophysical Analysis at Project Site.

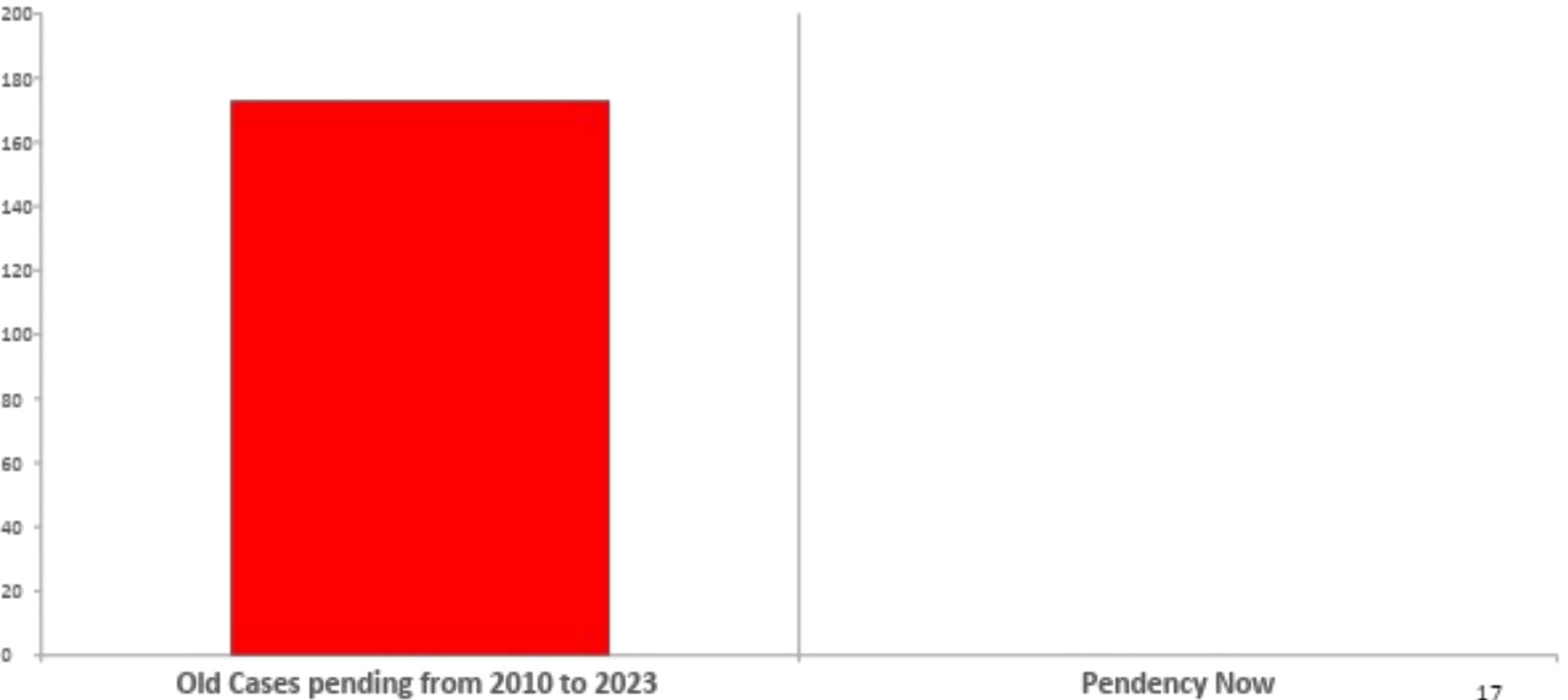
## Placer Gold Project in Indus River



## **10. All Court Cases instituted in the Court of Secretary Mines & Minerals before 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2023 stand disposed off.**

- Secretary Mines & Minerals acts as the final Revisional/ Appellate Authority
- Timely disposal of court cases instituted in his court boosts investor confidence
- System has been developed to dispose off all cases within minimum time possible instead of sleeping over the issues and avoiding taking decisions.
- **Unprecedented achievement-**
  - **173 old Cases (from the year 2010 to 2023) disposed off on merits**
  - **Zero Pendency Now on 01.01.2024**

# Court Cases Pending Before Secretary Mines & Minerals



## 11. Study of Koh-e-Suleman Range, DG. Khan

- Feasibility study for Potential Evaluation of minerals in Koh-e-Suleman Range, D.G. Khan, Division is being done to include new areas for future auctions
- Objective is to delineate potential zones and resource estimation for auction through open bidding
- After completion of Resource Estimation study, Blocks/zones will be auctioned through Open Auction earning **billions of rupees of bid money and yearly payment of royalty**

## 12. Work on New Deposits of Rock Salt and Lime Stone

- Work on realization of full potential of the following was started:
  - 27 new areas of Rock Salt mineral in salt range
  - Around 10,000 acres free area bearing limestone deposits
- After necessary ground work the areas will be put up in auction and billions of rupees will be generated from these areas in future

## 13. Transformation of PUNJMIN from loss-making to profitable corporation & Performance Review of PMC

- **PUNJMIN** (Punjab mineral development corporation) is the Public sector mining enterprise in Punjab.
- **PUNJMIN, as most of the public sector enterprises, was in loss in the past**
- ***Due to Performance Review by the Department and keen interest of Minister of Mines, PUNJMIN became a profitable organization (earned Rs. 200 millions profit) in just 06 months period.***
- ***Moreover, for the first time started returning loan obtained from the Government 48 years ago.***
- **Performance Review of PMC done and conveyed for rectifications.**

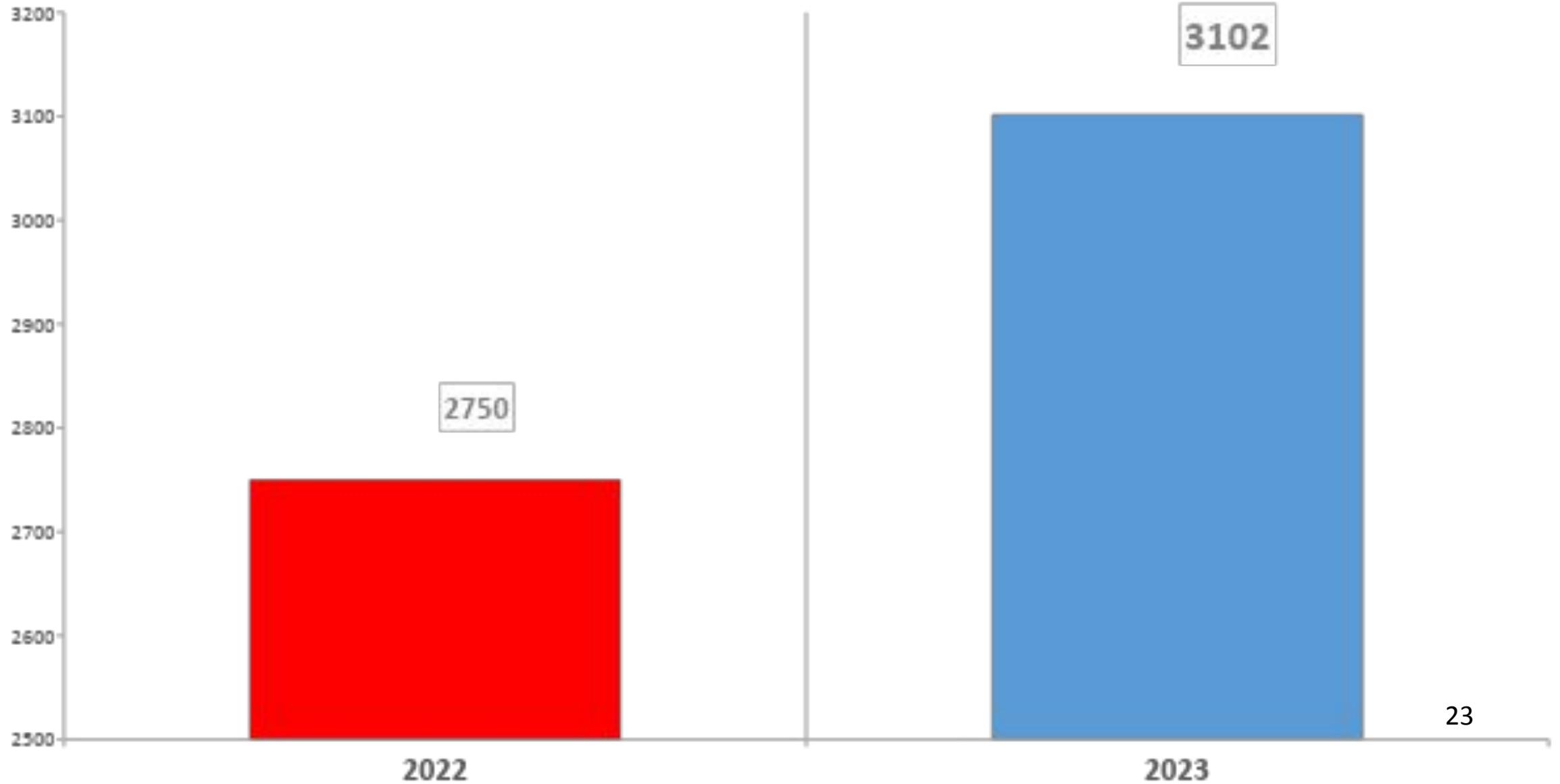
## 14. Introduction of Safe Mining Practices

- Safe mining is our priority and safety first is our slogan.
- During the period of Current Government following major steps were taken to ensure safe mining practices:
  - Detailed business process issued for real time online monitoring
  - Effectively established android based online monitoring system
  - Strict actions taken against the delinquent officers.
  - Updated Rescue and safety stations as per international standards
- Consequently, accidents ratio declined significantly as depicted in following figures and graph

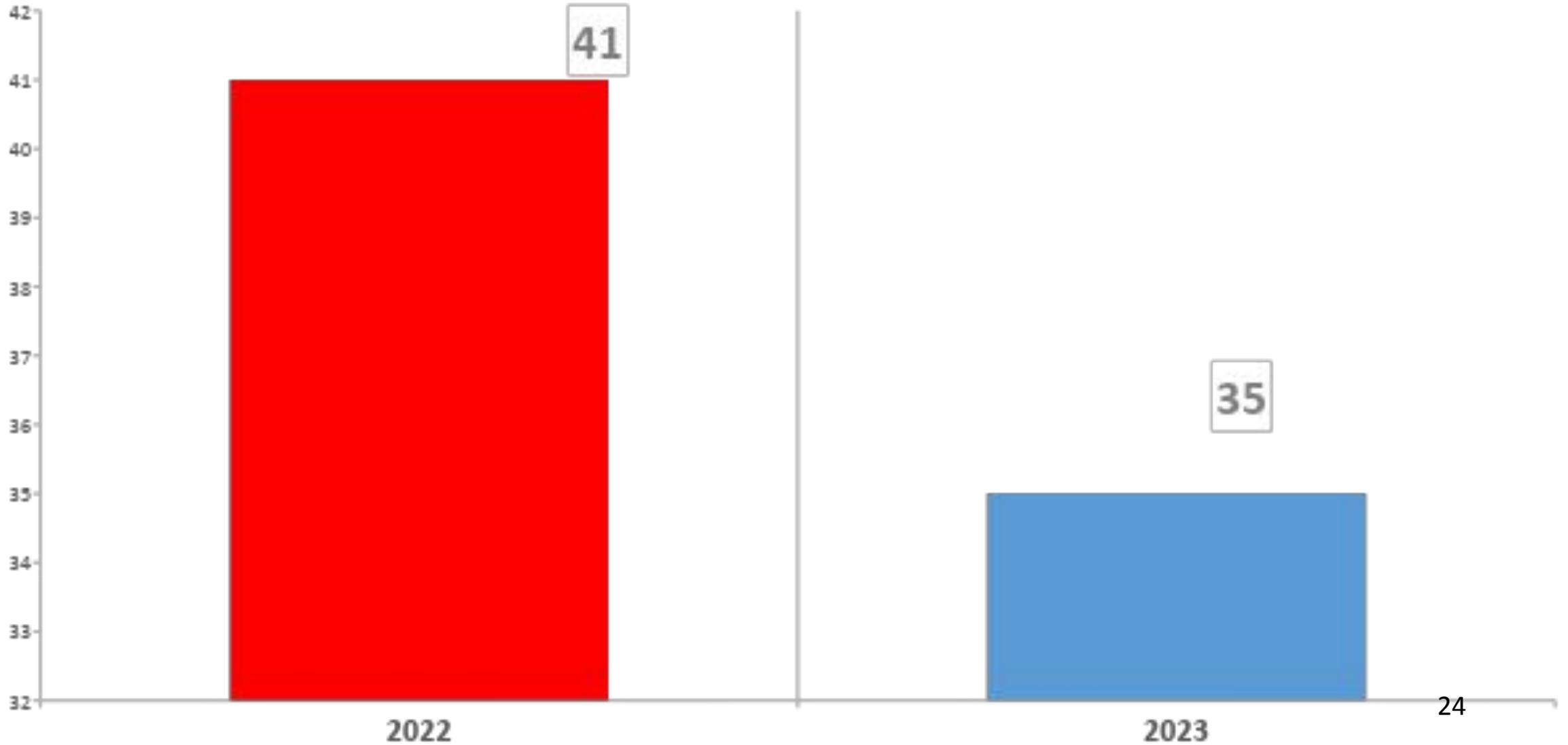
## Statistical Data of Mines, Inspections and Accidents

Year 2023	Description	Sr. No.
<b>3102</b>	No. of Mines/Quarries	1
<b>40000</b>	No. of Mine Workers	2
<b>1193</b>	Inspections Conducted	3
<b>951</b>	Prosecutions Lodged	4
<b>201</b>	Prosecutions Decided	5
<b>0.685</b>	Fine Recovered (Rs. Million)	6
<b>35</b>	Fatal Accidents Occurred	7
<b>37</b>	Persons Died	8
<b>11</b>	Serious Accidents Occurred	9
<b>13</b>	Persons Injured	10

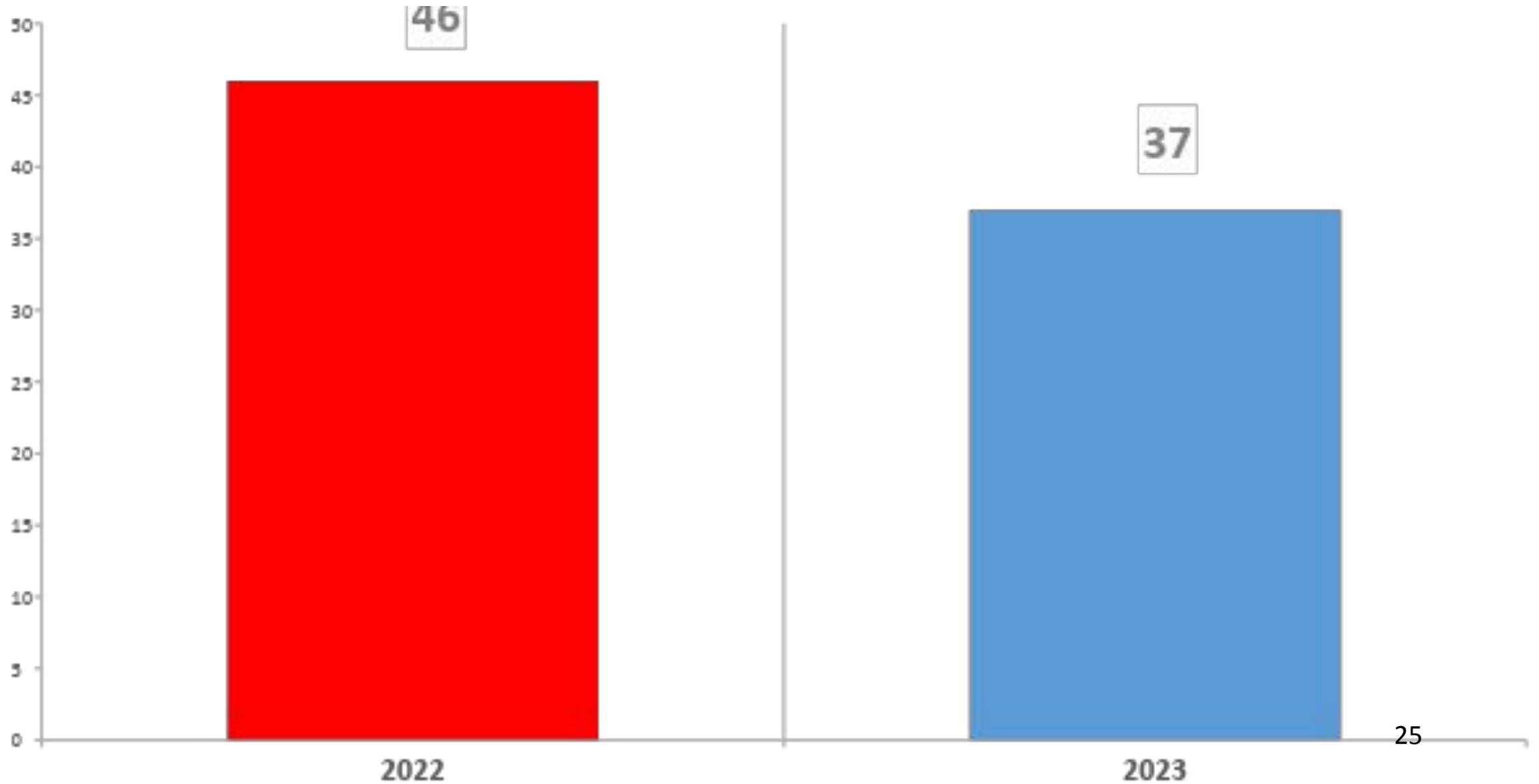
## No. of Mines/Quarries over the Years



# No. of Fatal Accidents Occurred over the Years



# No. of Persons Died over the Years







## 15. Welfare of Mine Labour and their families

Welfare of mine labour remained a major objective for Minister of Mines who introduced new concept of real time welfare of mine workers and their families.

- Also working on the directives of Minister Mines on:
  - quality and health services education for mine worker families in best institutions
  - floating new welfare proposals with the collaboration of top NGO's of Pakistan

## Provision of Health Facilities

Staff Strength	NAME OF HOSPITAL/DISPENSARY	Sr. No.
<b>71</b>	MLW Twenty-Five Bedded Hospital Choa Saiden Shah	1.
<b>33</b>	MLW Twenty Bedded Hospital, Khushab	2.
<b>31</b>	MLW Ten Bedded Hospital, Chak 119/S.B. Sargodha	3.
<b>09</b>	MLW Five Bedded Hospital, Dandot, Distt. Chakwal	4.
<b>20</b>	MLW Ten Bedded Hospital, Makerwal, Mianwali	5.
<b>02</b>	MLW Dispensary, Margalla, Distt. Rawalpindi	6.
<b>03</b>	MLW Dispensary Pull-111, Sargodha	7.
<b>04</b>	MLW Dispensary, Chenab Nagar, Distt. Chiniot	8.
<b>03</b>	MLW Dispensary, Munara, Distt. Chakwal	9.
<b>04</b>	MLW Dispensary, Mithrala, Tehsil Talagang, Chakwal	10.
<b>03</b>	Mobile Health Unit at Chakwal	11.
<b>18</b>	04 MLW Dispensaries in Tehsil Koh-e-Suleman, DG Khan	12.
<b>201</b>	<b>Total</b>	





**MLW Dispensary, Gulki, DG Khan**



**MLW Dispensary, Sallar Band, DG Khan**



**MLW Dispensary, Basti Dahar, DG Khan**



**Mobile Health Unit, Chakwal**



**10 Bedded MLW Hospital, Makerwal,  
Mianwali**



**10 Bedded MLW Hospital, Chak 119-SB,  
Sargodha**



**25 Bedded MLW Hospital, Choa Saiden  
Shah, Chakwal**



**20 Bedded MLW Hospital, Khushab**

## Detail of Disbursement of Welfare Grants to Mine Workers During 2023

Sr. No.	Nature of Grants	Sargodha Region		Chakwal Region		Multan Region		Total	
		Cases	Amount	Cases	Amount	Cases	Amount	Cases	Amount
1.	Death Grants	01	500,000	29	14,800,000	-	-	30	15,300,000
2.	Marriage Grants	37	5,500,000	68	10,500,000	-	-	105	16,000,000
3.	Talent Scholarships	53	6,324,212	17	2,756,014	04	3,058,076	74	12,138,302
<b>Total</b>		<b>91</b>	<b>12,324,212</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>28,056,014</b>	<b>04</b>	<b>3,058,076</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>43,428,302</b>

## Status Of Compensation Cases Paid Up-to Dec, 2023

Sr.#	Region	Compensation Paid	
		No. of Cases	Amount
01	Sargodha Region	16	23,500,000/-
02	Rawalpindi Region	01	115,000/-
03	Chakwal Region	47	8,000,000/-
04	Multan Region	-	-
<b>Total</b>		<b>64</b>	<b>31,615,000/-</b>

## Disbursement of Welfare Grants to Mine Workers



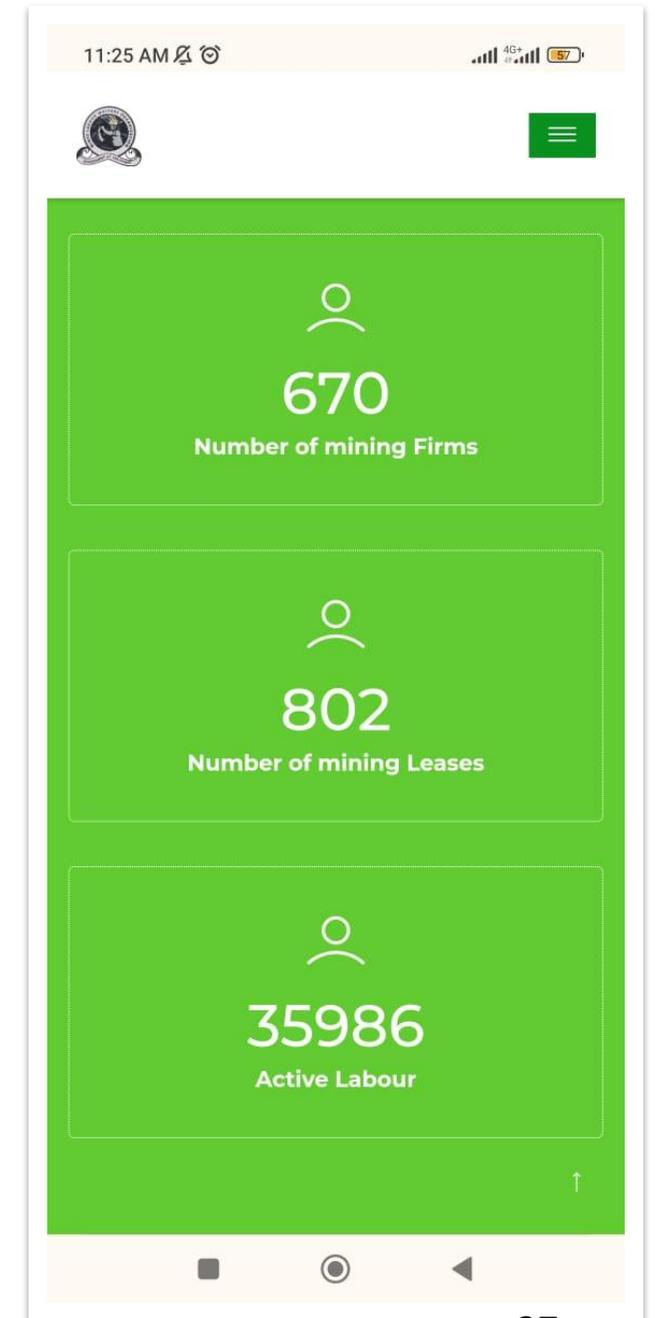
## 16. Established Helpline for Workers- a First Time Initiative

- ▶ **Swift resolution of complaints**
- ▶ **Services offered**
  - ▶ Admissions in MLW Schools
  - ▶ Information about Rescue Stations (Inspectorate of Mines, Punjab)
  - ▶ MLW Hospitals / Dispensaries
  - ▶ Welfare Facilities
  - ▶ Grants, compensation, Relief packages & wages
  - ▶ Excise duty auctions



## 17. Tagging of Workers- a First Time Initiative

- ▶ Established Mine Labour Management Information System (MLMIS)
- ▶ **35986** mine workers registered
- ▶ Unique tag numbers issued to each registered mine worker
- ▶ Transparent utilization of welfare facilities
- ▶ Real Time monitoring of workers
- ▶ Ease of Inquiry in case of mine accidents
- ▶ Timely payment of compensation and other relief packages



## 18. Functionalized the first version of online Mineral Cadaster System

- ▶ Real time visualization of location in any mining concession
- ▶ Database for areas granted & vacant for exploration or mining on GIS
- ▶ Mineral wise concession, district/ division wise data.
- ▶ Type of license granted, start and end dates of contracts etc
- ▶ Live monitoring of Receipts and arrears
- ▶ Royalty Contract Dashboard
- ▶ Unauthorized mining Dashboard for DMMCs
- ▶ Online submission of applications and fees etc
- ▶ Online submission of production returns under Large Scale Mining
- ▶ Teething problems shall be removed by 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2024.

# GIS Dashboard



## 19. Real Time Inspections Reporting and Monitoring of DG Offices

- ▶ Digitization of inspection data
- ▶ Real time access to Mines Data and effective monitoring of Inspecting Officers
- ▶ Digitization of Official activities
- ▶ Online Digital inspection reports
- ▶ Enhanced safety, conducive working
- ▶ Equipped inspecting officers with latest scientific gadgets
- ▶ Monitoring of inspection by Admin Department

# Online Inspection Regime

CIM Dashboard

DG Dashboard

Cement Plants Dashboard

Royalty Monitoring

DG Monitoring

GIS Dashboard

Geo Tagging Of Mines

LSM Plant Reports

Performa Lists

Mine Owner Module

## DG Monitoring

Performa Type

Select Performa Type

District

Select District

Filter

Reset



Total Completed Inspections



Total MnM Inspections



Total SSM ML Inspections



Total SSM PL Inspections



Total LSM EL Inspections



Total LSM ML Inspections

## Inspection Performa Status

## 20. Digitization of Working & real Time Monitoring of Inspectorate of Mines Offices

- To curb Dangerous / Unscientific Mining to Improve Ecology and Save Human Lives
- To inspect Mines on Android Tablets (Mines Inspection Module)
- Application For Field Officers To digitize the inspection Regime
- Record: time, location, coordinates etc.
- To ensure that provision of Mines Act, 1923 are being implemented by the leaseholders.
- Overall Inspectors Grading Module and Tour Roster Module

# Online Inspection Regime



**MINES AND MINERALS**  
Govt. of the Punjab

Secretary

- CIM Dashboard
- DG Dashboard
- Geo Tagging Of Mines
- LSM Plant Reports
- Performa Lists
- Mine Owner Module
- Returns
- Payment Of E Challan
- Reports
- DG Inspection Performa

## Chief Inspectorate of Mines

 <b>46</b> Total Mines Geo-Tagged in Past 30 Days	 <b>3209</b> Total Mines Tagged	 <b>1660</b> Total Coal Mines Tagged	 <b>1549</b> Total Other Than Coal Mines Tagged
 <b>1983</b> Underground Mines	 <b>1130</b> Surface Mines	 <b>2238</b> Unvisited Mines	 <b>299202</b> Total Fine Collected

## Mines Geo-Tagged Monthly/Yearly (33)

Select Region  Select District  Current Year

## Mine Geo-Tagged by Region and Minerals

Google

## 21. Beefing Up Rescue Measures

- ▶ Establishment of Mines Rescue & Safety Sub-Stations at Nali Arara, District Khushab & Tilla Jogia, District Jhelum.
- ▶ Extension of Mines Rescue & Safety Stations of Chief Inspectorate of Mines, Punjab at District Khushab, Chakwal & Mianwali
- ▶ Provision of Rescue Bikes, Trackers on Rescue Vehicles, UAN etc.
- ▶ Rehabilitation of Mine Rescue & Safety Station, Khushab
- ▶ Rehabilitation of Mines Rescue & Safety Sub-Station, Makerwal
- ▶ Rehabilitation of Mines Rescue & Safety Sub-Station, Choa Saiden Shah, District Chakwal



## 22. Reduction of emergency response time of mines rescue and safety stations

- ▶ The reduction of emergency response time of rescue and safety stations from **eight minutes to four minutes** is a big milestone in mining rescue sector. The response time has been reduced by adopting international practices .
- ▶ The reduction of emergency response time will definitely help to provide timely first aid and recovery to **trapped and injured workers in underground** mines during emergencies.
- ▶ The reduction of emergency response time will help to save precious life of mine workers

## 23. Infrastructure Development to Ensure Better Working Conditions and Boost Local and Foreign Investor Confidence

- ▶ Overall 10 schemes have been completed in the financial year 2022-23 for the welfare of Mining Labor.
- ▶ Schemes will benefit around 20000 mining labor.
- ▶ 13 more Labor welfare schemes are underway at a cost of around Rs 800 Million.
- ▶ Those scheme will benefit around 50000 mining laborers.
- ▶ These schemes will increase investor confidence and will ultimately enhance revenue generation for the department.
- ▶ Saving of approximately Rs. 100 million per annum in terms of rent of buildings.

- ▶ Construction of Field Offices/ residences of Mines Labour Welfare Commissioner, CIM, DG MMD.
- ▶ Construction of Office of Mines Labor Welfare Commissioner and Chief Inspector of Mines at Johar Town, Lahore
- ▶ **Provision of Machinery & Equipment, Furniture & Fixture and Vehicles for Chief Inspectorate of Mines and DG Offices**
- ▶ Initiated Solarization of Institutions and Field Offices of Inspectorate of Mines, Punjab.

## 24. Identification & Approval of New sand Zones in last 02 Months

- **36 Number of new zones formulated**
  - ▶ To break regional monopolies
  - ▶ To provide more avenues for investment
  - ▶ Increase competition
  - ▶ Increase revenue
- **Target of creation of 150 new zones within three months**
- The process is now fully geared up and shall continue unabated

## 25. Formulation of Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) Proforma & Monthly Review- a First Time Initiative

- ▶ Administrative Department has developed Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) /Performance Report Proforma for field officers
- ▶ KPI's will help monitor performance of the officers w.r.t. revenue generation plan and core duties
- ▶ Resulted in Increased revenue generation and realizing full potential of the sector.
- ▶ **A sense of responsibility and competition has developed among the officers**
- ▶ **Transfer/ postings on the basis of KPIs**

## **26. Extensive awareness campaign for information dissemination, facilitation and attracting new investors- a First Time initiative**

- 2500 Social Media Posts/ Interviews
- 75 Electronic Media News/ Interviews
- 250 Meetings/ Conferences/ Exhibitions
- 80 Kinds of Brochure Distributed
- 50 Social Media Influencers Registered

## 27. Issued and Implemented SOPs for Stoppage of Unauthorized Mining / Theft of Minerals- a First Time Initiative

- ▶ No **SOPs** were delineated for the processes involved in stoppage of theft of minerals
- ▶ Ineffectual actions were being taken for detection of, and imposing penalties for, unauthorized mining, due to which the accused of the offence got exonerated, resulting in loss to Government exchequer.
- ▶ In order to shun such culpable corrupt practices, **SOPs** have been devised and directions have been issued for strict compliance.
- ▶ Effective stoppage of unauthorized mining of minerals has resulted in healthy bids against vacant blocks/ zones.
- ▶ Investor confidence increased, new investors entered the market and offered bids

## 28. Issued and Implemented SOPs regarding Post Auction offers- a First Time Initiative

- ▶ Instances were observed where competitive/ healthy bids are not received on first date of auction, resulting in potential loss to the public exchequer
- ▶ Scheduling multiple auctions on the same day in different districts prohibited serious investors in submission of bids
- ▶ Resultantly, a number of complaints were being received
- ▶ Therefore, detailed **SOPs** issued w.r.t. post-auction offers complying with essentially required safety checks
- ▶ This approach aligns with the best interest of the public exchequer and shall maximize the revenue for the department

## 29. Issued and Implemented SOPs/ orders to stop illegal refund of bid monies and securities to contractor- a First Time Initiative

- ▶ It was observed that in many cases the securities of the leaseholders were released & bid monies refunded by the departmental authorities illegally
- ▶ Due to these irregular/ illegal decisions heavy losses were incurred by the exchequer
- ▶ To stop this hemorrhage in future, detailed **SOPs** / directions have been issued
- ▶ Issuance of detailed **SOPs** will ensure that bid monies and securities are not refunded to the contractor in an arbitrary, discretionary and illegal manner
- ▶ Resulted in effective stoppage of loss to public exchequer

## 30. Issued and Implemented SOPs to ensure Fair and Transparent auctions- a First Time Initiative

- ▶ To conduct open auctions for grant of a variety of contracts & mineral lease agreements is one of the major duties of department
- ▶ Fairness & Transparency are the core principles of high-quality open auctions
- ▶ In order to ensure good governance in auction proceedings, detailed **SOPs** have been issued for strict compliance
- ▶ Investor confidence increased, new investors enter the market and offer bids which enhances revenue of the Department.

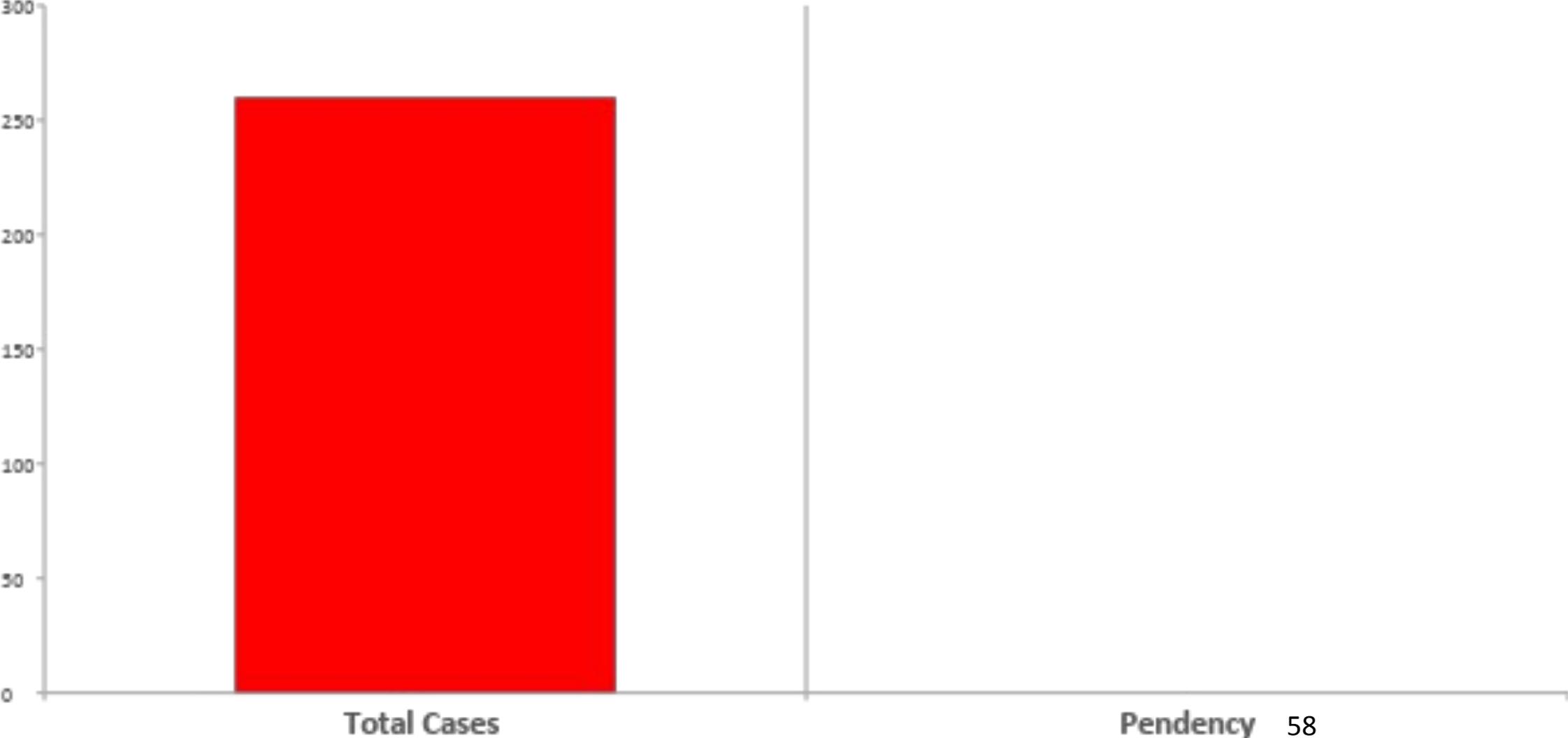
## 31. Issued and Implemented SOPs to ensure Safe and Scientific Mining - a First Time Initiative

- It was observed that unsafe and dangerous mining continued unabated
- In order to ensure scientific and safe mining, detailed **SOPs**/guidelines were issued and ensured implementation through online reporting mechanism
- Resulted in reduction in mining accidents
- Stoppage of loss of precious lives of mines workers- **Deaths Reduced 38%**
- Will boost Investor confidence

## 32. Issued and Implemented SOPs for Effective Court cases management- a First Time Initiative

- Mines and Minerals Department was marred with huge number of court cases
- In order to streamline the management of court cases detailed **SOPs** have been developed and implemented
- Weekly monitoring is done every Friday
- **Out of total approx. 260 cases, parawise comments are not pending in a single case which is quite extra-ordinary.**
- Resulted in Good Governance & boasted investor confidence

# Submission of Comments in different Courts



### 33. Mega Investment Proposals Through Punjab Mineral Company

- A proposal for Saudi Company, Maa'dan, has been shared worth \$ 1.3 billion for establishment of a Steel Mill in district *Chiniot*
- International level feasibility, resource estimations report, business processes
- This project will be very useful for import substitution, ensuring best utilization of the 267 million tons of iron ore
- Interactions in process with FWO / FFC/ others for utilization of iron ore resources



## Iron Ore Resource

~267 million tons

Total Fe 27%

Magnetite 80%

Hematite 20%

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**INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY** Integrated Iron Ore Mining & Steel Mills Complex at Chiniot

**Steel Making From Indigenous Iron Ore, A vision For The Future of Pakistan**

## 34. Recovery of old outstanding Dues from Influential Circles- a First Time Initiative

- Matter of recovery of **Rs. 4 billion** unauthorized mining of Limestone in *Margalla* hills has been taken up after more than a decade.
- Matter of recovery of **approximately Rs 1.4 billion** on account of unauthorized mining of Rock Salt by PMDC has been taken up after a decade
- Matter of recovery of **approximately Rs 1.7 billions** from Large Scale mining lease holders regarding late payments of royalty has been taken up after a decade
- **Detailed Speaking Orders issued after a decade.**

## 35. Improvements in Laws/ Rules/ Policies

- Initiation of Provincialization of Excise Duty Act and further amendments to increase the outrageously **low excise duty rate i.e. Rs. 5 per ton for all minerals** including Gold and precious stones
- This will also **increase revenue worth at least Rs 02 billion per annum**
- Comprehensive amendments in Punjab Mining Concession Rules 2002 are being prepared to make the rules more elaborate, transparent, competitive and investment friendly
- Policies for grant of different minerals are being reviewed to ensure equal opportunities for all and in favor of public exchequer

## 36. Human Resource Rationalization

- ▶ Rationalization is important to exclude ghost, useless posts and replacing with useful, skilful and technical employees
- ▶ An exercise for removal of redundancies, duplications, rationalization of HR has been done.
- ▶ 100 Number of posts abolished
- ▶ 17 Number of posts re-designated

## 37. E-FOAS (Files/ Dak Management System)

- ▶ A flagship initiative of Chief Secretary, Punjab towards digitization
- ▶ All 4200 files have been scanned & moved onto the E- FOAS platform
- ▶ Remarkable achievement in transition to E-FOAS is the scanning and management of 7109 letters and PUCs
- ▶ Internal movement on E-FOAS, Attached Departments in process
- ▶ Movement of Summaries/Notes through E-FOAS and handled 43 Summaries / Notes till to-date



## 38. Weekly Pendency Review every Friday

- ▶ Court Cases pending in different courts
- ▶ Development Schemes review
- ▶ References received from different forums
- ▶ Inspection schedules and targets
- ▶ Review of IT initiatives
- ▶ Pending NOCs
- ▶ Enquiries, pension cases etc

# Weekly Pendency Review



## 39. Ensured Field/ Schemes Monitoring & Random Inspections through a dedicated Team of Secretariat Officers

- ▶ A dedicated team of Administrative Department paying surprise visits to field offices
- ▶ Effectively checked theft of minerals
- ▶ Constant check on field offices
- ▶ Submission of inspection reports by attached departments with photographs
- ▶ Uploading of progress on SMDP
- ▶ In future more sudden inspections by Secretary Mines & Minerals and other senior officers to check theft, under-reporting, Royalty receipts collection etc.

## 40. Working on E-Auction of Mining Leases

- ▶ Transitioning to electronic auctions for mining concessions to enhance transparency, competitiveness and revenue collection and curb “pooling” by contractors
- ▶ Initial work completed in collaboration with PITB
- ▶ Rules being reviewed
- ▶ Dummy e-auctions will start soon to remove teething problems
- ▶ Introduction of fair and user friendly process of auction for the stakeholders