

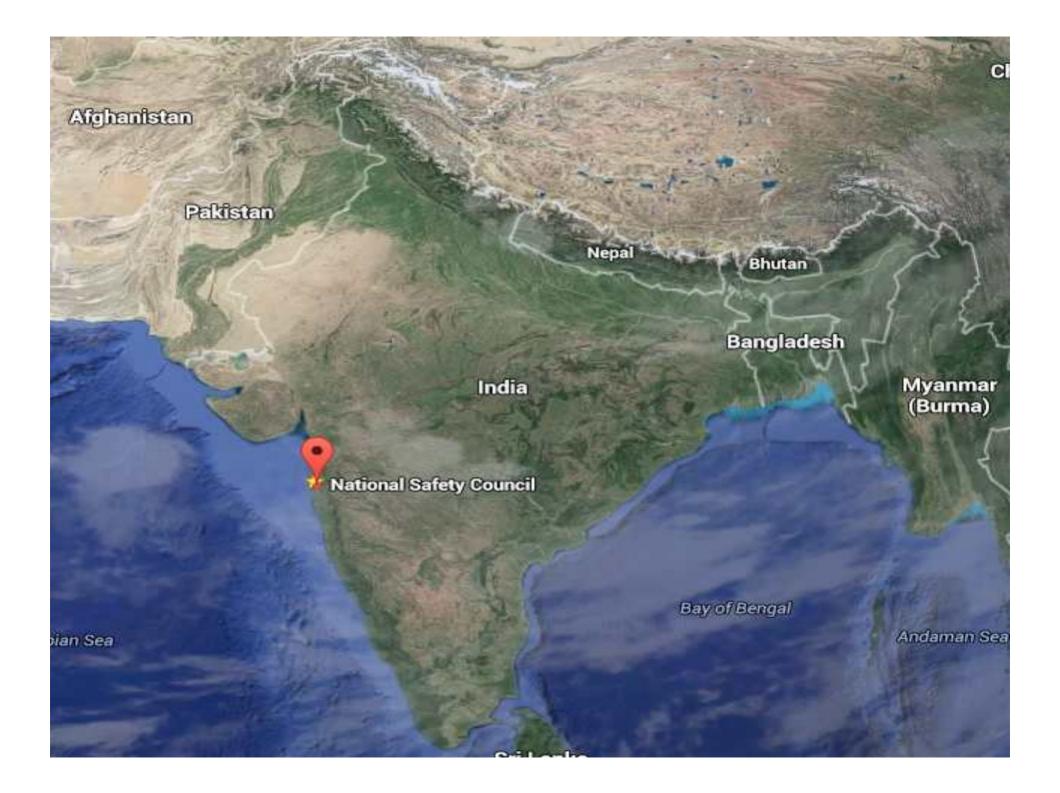
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OSH issues in India



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DETAILS OF INDIA

- 29 States
- 7 Union Territories
- More than 1.3 billion population
- 22 official languages.
- •1652 number of mother tongues .
- •150 languages have a sizable speaking population.
- 29650 thousand population is working.



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- Ministry of Labour has enacted OSH statues concerning workers in the manufacturing, mines, ports, construction sector.
- Other Ministries of India have also enacted certain statues relating to safety aspects of substances , equipments, environment and operations.





Important OSH Statutes

- The Factories Act, 1948 and Rules
- The Petroleum Act 1934 and Rules
- The Mines Act, 1952 & Regulations
- The Explosives Act, 1884 and Rules
- The Environment Protection Act 1986 and Rules
- The Building & Other Construction Workers (Regulation of Employment & Conditions of Service) Act, 1996 and Rules
- The Dock Workers (Regulation of Employment) (Inapplicability to Major Ports) Act, 1997
- The Workmen's Compensation Act, 1923



Important OSH Statutes

- The Coal Mines (Conservation & Development) Act, 1974
- The Public Liability Insurance Act, 1991
- The Dangerous Machines (Regulation) Act, 1983
- The insecticides Act, 1968 and Rules
- The Central Electricity Authority Regulations 2010.
- The Gas Cylinder Rules, 1981
- The Static and Mobile Pressure Vessel (unfired) Rules 1981
- The Municipal Solid Waste (Management & Handling)
 Rules 2000 under E. P. Act 1986
- The Manufacture, Storage & Import of Hazardous Chemicals Rules, 1989



National Policy on SHE 2009

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The Policy is not limited to large and organized sector, but extends even to MSME and unorganized sectors.

The Policy Provides for

- General guidance to all the stakeholders to discharge their responsibilities in an appropriate manner.
- Helps to create a positive safety and health culture.
- Enables development of research activities, skill development of employees, employers, enforcement authorities, and society at large.
- Participation and cooperation of employers and employees promoting employee participation for effective management.



National Policy on SHE 2009

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- Ensures better compliance and implementation through a mechanism of accrediting competent professionals and institutions.
- The implementation of the policy would enable timely collection, compilation, and analysis of work related injuries, diseases, sicknesses etc. for qualitative decision making at the national level.
- It provides for OSH systems approach to be followed by the management including use of computer aided risk assessment tools for dealing with safety, health and environment at workplace problems.



Indian Standards

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- IS- 14489 (1998): Code of practice on occupational safety and health audit
- IS- 18001 (2007): Occupational Health and Safety Management Systems
- We have standards for different activities such as testing of machines, scaffolds, Fire Extinguishers, Building codes etc.



Enforcement Authorities

Directorate General Factory Advise Service and Labour Institutes.

- The Central Labour institue at Mumbai and regional labour institues at Kanpur, Kolkota and Chennai
- Chief Labour Commissioner
- Chief Inspector of Factories for States.
- Petroleum and Explosive Safety Organisation
- Director General of Mines Safety



The Factories Act 1948

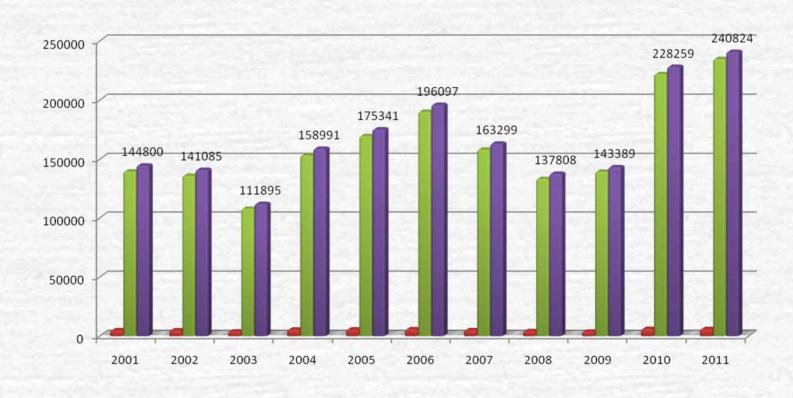
- Each organistion has its own OSH set up.
- Appointment of Safety Officer.
- Formation of Safety Committee for each organistion
- Responsibility of Occupier to provide safe environment
- Workers to participate in Safety Management System.





Growth of Factories - Year wise

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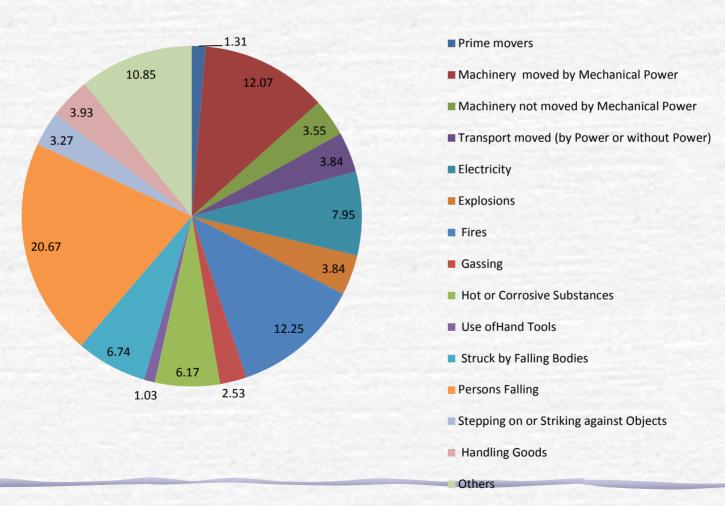


- No. of working Factories under public sector
- No. of working Factories under private sector
- Total No. of working Factories

Source: Indian Labour Statistics

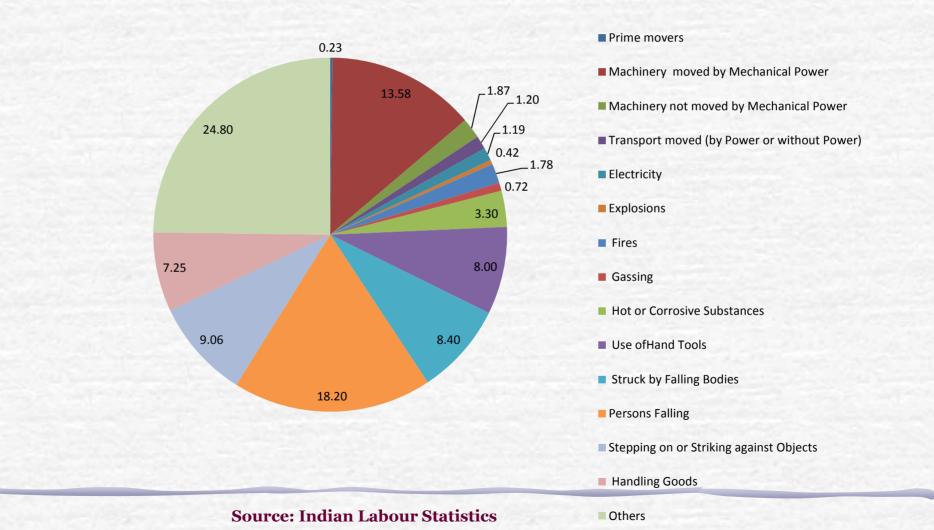


Industrial Injuries in Factories by Causes





Industrial Injuries in Factories by Causes - Non-Fatal





ISSUES & CHALLENGES

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- How to address the concerns of unorganized sector
- How to address workplace changes
- How to shift from management of accidents to their prevention and prediction
- How to optimize with limited inspection resources
- How to build OSH culture



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