

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2297**  
FOR ANSWER ON 02/12/2019

**CORRUPTION IN SAIL**

2297. SHRI PRATAPRAO PATIL CHIKHLIKAR:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the cases of corruption, irregularity and violation of rules have come into limelight on a large scale due to the nexus of officers and contractors in SAIL;
- (b) if so, the total number of cases amongst them in which action has been taken and the number of cases which are pending along with the details thereof; and
- (c) the strict action taken by the Government against the corrupt persons?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) Complaints containing allegations of corruption, irregularity, violation of rules etc. are received from different sources. The total number of complaints registered in SAIL Vigilance (including complaints received from external sources as well as cases taken up for detailed investigation based on irregularities noticed in Preventive Checks and Intensive Examinations undertaken by SAIL Vigilance, but excluding anonymous and pseudonymous complaints) during the years 2017, 2018 and 2019 (till October, 2019) relating to alleged corruption, irregularities, violation of rules, nexus of SAIL Officers and Contractors in SAIL etc. are given below:-

<b>Year</b>	<b>No. of complaints registered</b>
2017	537
2018	574
2019 (till October)	424

(b) The number of cases in which actions have been taken during the period 2017-2019 (till October, 2019), based on the investigations carried out by SAIL Vigilance / CBI, are given below:-

<b>Year</b>	<b>No. of complaints/ cases in which disciplinary actions were initiated</b>	<b>No. of employees against whom disciplinary actions were initiated</b>
2017	17	23
2018	24	43
2019 (till October)	23	40
<b>Total</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>106</b>

As on 31.10.2019, disciplinary proceedings were under progress against 19 employees out of the aforesaid 106 employees, while disciplinary proceedings against the remaining 87 employees had been completed. 119 complaints out of 424 complaints registered during 2019 are under various stages of investigation.

(c) During the period 2017–2019 (till October, 2019), disciplinary proceedings were completed against a total of 109 officials (including 22 nos. of disciplinary proceedings carried over from previous year/s), break-up of which is given below:-

- 2017 : 21 employees
- 2018 : 49 employees
- 2019 (till Oct): 39 employees

Suitable punishment, based on the nature of misconduct, was imposed on 105 employees, including stringent punishment of removal/dismissal from service of 7 employees. Four out of the above referred 109 employees were exonerated based on the findings of the disciplinary proceedings.

\*\*\*\*\*