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To

The Owners, Agents and Managers of all mines

Sub: Screening of Chest Radiographs for Pneumoconiosis and Silicosis by Using ILO Classification 2000.

It has been observed during inspection of PME Centers that Chest Radiographs of Initial and Periodical Medical Examinations conducted under Rule 29B of Mines Rules, 1955 are not being screened and classified for Pneumoconiosis or Silicosis in accordance with ILO Classification.

Attention is drawn to the recommendations of VIIIth and IXth Conference on Safety in Mines on Occupational health Surveillance and all concerned are hereby directed to get the chest radiographs of medical examinations of workers screened and evaluated for Pneumoconiosis and Silicosis in accordance with ILO International Classification of Radiographs of Pneumoconiosis, 2000. The standard set of ILO Classification, 2000 can be procured on payment from;

Sales Department
International Labour Organisation
Core-4B, 3rd Floor
India Habitat Centre, Lodhi Road
New Delhi - 110 003
Phone No.011 -24602101

You are also advised to get PME Medical Officers trained in use of ILO international Classification of Radiographs of Pneumoconiosis, 2000 so that cases of pneumoconiosis and silicosis are detected at an early stage and necessary action is taken for prevention and rehabilitation.

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