The number of strikes and lockouts, taken together, was down by 4.4 per cent in 2005. During 2005, West Bengal experienced the maximum instances of strikes and lockouts (19216) followed by Kerala (3619) and Rajasthan (19247). Industrial disturbances were concentrated mainly in manufacturing (textile), financial intermediation, agriculture and mining and quarrying industries during 2005.
During 2000, 426 strikes and 325 lockouts were observed which resulted in total time-loss of 28.76 million mandays. Maximum time-loss was caused by 297 lockouts during 2003 which resulted in a time-loss of 27.05 million mandays. As compared to previous years, in 2006 only 13.76 million mandays were lost due to strikes and lockouts.