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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

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UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 1625

TO BE ANSWERED ON 27.12.2018

Absence of rational pricing

1625. DR. KANWAR DEEP SINGH:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES & PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) in the country are suffering from absence of rational pricing;
- (b) if so, the details of the pricing policies of CPSEs; and
- (c) the details of action taken in this regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES & PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

(SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

(a) to (c): Department of Public Enterprises (DPE) lays down guidelines on general policy matters applicable to all Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs). The pricing policies of goods and services are determined by the concerned CPSE/ sectoral line Ministries. While deciding the prices, they consider degree of competitiveness, market scenario/structure, cost of production, international and domestic market prices, demand and supply, exchange rate, etc. The details of pricing policies of various CPSEs are available at Para 4.2 under Chapter 4 “Operational Information” in Vol. I of the Public Enterprise Survey 2016-17 brought out by Department of Public Enterprises that was laid on Table of both the Houses of Parliament on 13.3.2018. As mentioned above, the concerned CPSE/ sectoral line Ministries take steps regarding formulation of pricing policies of their respective goods and services.

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