

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES
RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.72
ANSWERED ON 26.07.2021

SETTING-UP OF PAPER MILLS AND ESTABLISHMENT OF "STRAW-BOARD" IN UP

72. SHRI BRIJLAL:

Will the Minister of **Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises** be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Siddharth Nagar, Balrampur, Maharajgunj, Bahraich, Shravasti, Lakhimpur Kheri and Pilibhit districts of lowland regions of Uttar Pradesh are main paddy producing areas, where stubble is available in abundance, that poses problem for environment and around 30/40 years back big bunches of stubble and Kaans-moonj grass made by machines were sent to Titagarh paper mill from Sohratgarh of Siddharth Nagar;
- (b) whether any plan is being formulated to establish paper mills in the said areas and to form "straw-board", so as to increase income of farmers and to solve problem of stubble; and
- (c) if so, details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES
(Dr. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF RAJYA SABHA
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BRIJLAL REGARDING 'SETTING-UP OF PAPER MILLS AND ESTABLISHMENT
OF "STRAW-BOARD" IN UP.**

(a): Siddharth Nagar, Balrampur, Maharajgunj, Bahraich, Shravasti, Lakhimpur Kheri and Pilibhit are amongst the paddy producing areas of Uttar Pradesh. Titagarh Paper Mill is not a Central Public Sector Enterprise (CPSE) and hence not under the jurisdiction of Ministry of Heavy Industries.

(b): Ministry of Heavy Industries has no plan to establish new CPSEs/Paper Mills.

(c): Question does not arise.
