GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STEEL

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1279 FOR ANSWER ON 13/02/2023

STEEL MANUFACTURING UNITS UNDER PUBLIC SECTOR

1279. SHRI ABDUL WAHAB:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the number of public steel manufacturing units functioning across the country;

(b) the number of contractual workers who are part of workforce in these steel plants;

(c) the number of steel units which have shut their operations in last five years or will shut their operations in next two years;

(d) whether after closing of such units, contractual workers who are working in public steel units will get compensated in anyway;

(e) if so, details thereof; and

(f) if not, reasons therefor

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL

(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)

(a) There are two public steel manufacturing units functioning across country, namely, Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) and Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL).

(b) As on 01.02.2023, the number of contractual workers in SAIL Plants/Units is 65,898 and in RINL is 16,368.

(c) No Steel unit has shut its operations in last 5 years. However, the process of closure of Visvesvaraya Iron & Steel Plant (VISP), a Plant/Unit of SAIL, has been initiated in the current financial year.

(d)to(f): The contractual workers are compensated as per the provisions of applicable statute and rules framed thereof, in case of closing of the public sector unit.