GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STEEL

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 316 FOR ANSWER ON 05/02/2024

CLOSURE OF VISVESVARAYA IRON AND STEEL PLANT (VISP)

316. SHRI PRAMOD TIWARI: SHRI LAHAR SINGH SIROYA

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the recent update on the closure of Visvesvaraya Iron and Steel Plant (VISP) in Bhadravati and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether Government is planning to revive the plant partly for operations and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government has taken any action to cater to the issues of employees of VISP due to its closure and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL

(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)

(a)to(d): Pursuant to the direction of Department of Investment and Public Asset Management (DIPAM) vide Office Memorandums dated 14/10/2022 and 31/10/2022, the process of closure of Visveswaraya Iron & Steel Plant, Bhadravati has been initiated. At present, Plant's part operations i.e. Primary Mill, Bar Mill and Forging Press Units are operational, as per requirement. All issues, including issues of employees, would suitably be addressed as per the direction of DIPAM.
