GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3264 ANSWERED ON 28.03.2025

SAMARTH UDYOG BHARAT 4.0

3264. SHRI PRADIP KUMAR VARMA:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) the manner in which the Ministry ensures that the SAMARTH Centres are in sync with the requirements of the industries in their respective sectors; and
- (b) whether there is any plan for the expansion of SAMARTH Centres beyond their present locations, if so, the details thereof with respect of the State of Jharkhand?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES (SHRI BHUPATHIRAJU SRINIVASA VARMA)

(a): Ministry of Heavy Industries (MHI) has constituted a Project Review and Monitoring Committee (PRMC) for each of the 4 Smart Advanced Manufacturing and Rapid Transformation Hub (SAMARTH) Centres set up under the Scheme for "Enhancement of Competitiveness in the Indian Capital Goods Sector". The meetings of the PRMC are held periodically in order to review the progress of the project and ensures that the initiatives undertaken remain industry relevant.

SAMARTH Centres also ensure that their initiatives are in sync with the requirements of the industries in their respective sectors by stakeholder engagement, industry collaboration, customized solution, skill development and technology demonstrations.

(b): Under Phase II of the Scheme "Enhancement of Competitiveness in the Indian Capital Goods Sector", MHI has sanctioned a project for augmentation of already established SAMARTH Centers in Phase I i.e C4i4 Lab Pune. C4i4 Lab Pune has been entrusted responsibility to establish 10 cluster Industry 4.0 experience Centers on hub and spoke model across India. Out of these 10 centres, one centre at TATA Motors, Jamshedpur, Jharkhand is fully functional. The said centre is also acting as a demonstration cum training centre for the MSMEs in the state of Jharkhand.
