GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4139 TO BE ANSWERED ON 20.03.2018

Revival of Nagaon Paper Mill

4139. SHRI KAMAKHYA PRASAD TASA:

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

- (a) whether the Nagaon Paper Mill in Jagiroad, Assam is lying closed thereby affecting the livelihood of the Mill workers and the bamboo farmers alike;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the people of the areahave held protests for reopening/revival of the Mill, if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto;
- (d) whether a request has been received from the State Government seeking a package for revival of the Mill, if so, the details thereof and the response of the Government thereto; and
- (e) the steps being taken for revival of the Mill and the time by which it is likely to start functioning again?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

- (a) & (b): Nagaon Paper Mill, one of the units of Hindustan Paper Corporation, is closed owing to the scarcity of working capital.
- (c): Some protests have been held. However, Government is considering the proposal for revival of the company.
- (d) & (e): A request has been received from Government of Assam to finalise the proposal for revival of HPC. A proposal for revival of HPC is under consideration of the Department of Heavy Industry.
