GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION No. 571

TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.02.2018

Performance of Loss-making PSUs

571. SHRI KAUSHAL KISHORE:

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

- (a) whether fresh initiatives have been taken by the Government for improving the performance of loss making Public Sector Undertakings and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether there is any plan for better or alternate utilization of excess employees in many of these PSUs and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether attempts have been made to bring down the component of wasteful or avoidable expenditure in these PSUs;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES & PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

(SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

(a): Department of Public Enterprises (DPE), as the nodal department of Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs), has issued guidelines on 29.10.2015 for "Streamlining the mechanism for revival and restructuring of sick/ incipient sick and weak CPSEs". As per the guidelines, the administrative Ministries/ Departments are responsible to monitor the sickness of CPSEs under their control based on their performance and to take redressal measures. Based on their review, the concerned administrative Ministries/ Departments take measures, which may include preparation of proposals for revival/ restructuring/ closure, etc. of CPSEs and after obtaining the approval of competent authority, implement those plans.

(b): The concerned CPSE assesses its manpower requirement and prepares plans for utilization of excess employees, if any, in consultation with their administrative Ministries/ Departments.

(c) to (e): The CPSEs are expected to incur the expenditure as per commercial expediency and prudence after approval from the competent authority. Guidelines are issued from time to time for expenditure management and to enforce austerity measures in CPSEs. The CPSEs incurring losses take all possible measures to reduce wasteful or avoidable expenditure in consultation with their administrative Ministry.

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