GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 894

TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 25TH JULY, 2023/ SRAVANA 3, 1945 (SAKA)

ANDHRA PRADESH RE-ORGANISATION ACT, 2014

894. SHRI RAM MOHAN NAIDU KINJARAPU:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government has any proposal to fulfil the long pending demand of the Andhra Pradesh Re-organisation Act 2014 in terms of assurance given by the Union Government with regard to AIIMS, IIT, IISER, Tribal & Agriculture Institutes, funding for completion of Polavaram National Irrigation Project, establishment of Railway Zone at Visakhapatnam, steel plant, port trust;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the funds allocated for each project including Polavaram and construction of capital city at Amaravathi?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI NITYANAND RAI)

(a) to (c): A large number of provisions of Andhra Pradesh Reorganisation (APR) Act, 2014 have been implemented and the remaining provisions of the Act are at various stages of implementation. Some of the provisions relating to infrastructure projects and educational institutions have long gestation period for which a time period of ten years has been prescribed in the Act.

Regarding establishment of Railway zone, an itemized work of "Setting up of South Coast Railways' Zone HQ" has been sanctioned on 10.11.2022 at an estimated cost of Rs.106.89 crore. Outlay of Rs.10 crore has been provided for the umbrella work in the financial year 2023-24.

The proposal for setting up of major port at Duggirajupatnam was not found viable due to strong competition from nearby ports. Government of Andhra Pradesh suggested development has maior Duggirajupatnam. However, Ramayapatnam in lieu of the Ramayapatnam has been notified as non-major port, Government of Andhra Pradesh has been informed that either the minor port of Ramayapatnam be de-notified or another location be identified for this purpose.

For establishing an integrated steel plant in YSR Kadapa District, Andhra Pradesh, SAIL conducted a feasibility study and reported that the setting up of steel plant is not techno-economically viable. Subsequently, a Joint Task Force has been constituted by Ministry of Steel to consider the feasibility issues and preparation of a road map for setting up of a steel plant in the State.

As per information available with this Ministry, so far, an amount of Rs. 21154.568 crore has been released for setting up of AIIMS, IIT, IISER,

Tribal University, Agriculture University, Polavaram Irrigation Project and assistance for capital city in Andhra Pradesh as under:

(i) Setting up of Educational Institutions

IIT - 1022.00 crore

IISER - 1183.95 crore

Tribal University - 24.395 crore

Agriculture University - 135.00 crore

AIIMS - 1319.86 crore

(ii) Assistance for Capital City - 2,500.00 crore

(iii) Polavaram Irrigation Project - 14969.363 crore
