GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1323 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10TH FEBRUARY, 2020

JOB OPPORTUNITIES IN PSUs

1323. SHRI PALLAB LOCHAN DAS:

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is a fall in job opportunities for SCs, STs and OBCs in PSUs after the disinvestment of Government shares;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any measures to tackle the decline in job opportunities for SCs, STs and OBCs; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) to (d): Job reservation is available to Scheduled Castes (SCs), Scheduled Tribes (STs) and Other Backward Classes (OBCs) in Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) as per the extant Government policy. The Government follows a policy of disinvestment in CPSEs through Strategic Disinvestment and Minority Stake sale. The Minority Stake sale does not involve transfer of management control of CPSE. Strategic Disinvestment implies disinvestment of substantial stake of government shareholding of CPSEs along with transfer of management control. It is expected that the strategic buyer will bring funds / technology / new management etc. for the optimum development of business potential of the CPSEs under Strategic Disinvestment. The growth of the CPSEs, post Disinvestment, would be able to generate higher economic activity including growth of the ancillary industries and will create job opportunities for all including SCs, STs and OBCs.

Department of Public Enterprises (DPE) being a nodal coordinating Department for CPSEs issues instructions to CPSEs to follow guidelines issued by the Government from time to time in regard to reservation in employment.