GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF MINES

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2754

ANSWERED ON 11.12.2024

IRON ORE RESOURCES ALLOCATED TO TELANGANA

2754 SHRI VAMSI KRISHNA GADDAM:

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the total iron ore resources allocated to Telangana Mineral Development Corporation Limited across Mahbubabad, Warangal, Karimnagar, Jagityal, Mancherial and Bhadradri-Kothagudem districts in Telangana including the details of the total extent of land, district-wise;
- (b) the reasons for the rejection of the proposal of the State Government of Telangana for reserving iron ore areas under MMDR Act, 1957;
- (c) whether the union Government has reviewed the resubmitted proposal by the State Government of Telangana to reserve the iron ore areas for Telangana Mineral Development Corporation Limited and if so, the details and current status thereof; and (d) the timeline and schedule for the rescheduled meeting between the Ministry of Mines and the State Government of Telangana on the feasibility of establishing an Integrated Steel Plant in Bayyaram?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF COAL AND MINES (SHRI G. KISHAN REDDY)

(a) to (d): No iron ore resources have been allocated to Telangana State Mineral Development Corporation Limited (TSMDCL) across Mahbubabad, Warangal, Karimnagar, Jagityal, Mancherial and Bhadradri-Kothagudem districts in Telangana.

The Government of Telangana had sent a proposal on 30.05.2019 for reservation of iron ore deposits in the state over an area of 65.20 sq. km. in favour of TSMDCL under Section 17A(2) of the MMDR Act, 1957. The said proposal was examined in consultation with the Ministry of Steel and the Indian Bureau of Mines. Ministry of Steel had *inter-alia* intimated about the non-feasibility for establishing Integrated Steel Plant by SAIL in Telangana.

Accordingly, the proposal of state government for reservation of area was returned on 21.06.2021.
