GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3506 ANSWERED ON 17.12.2024

SCHEMES FOR HEAVY INDUSTRY SECTOR

3506. ADV GOWAAL KAGADA PADAVI:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIESभारी उदयोग मंत्रीbe pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has made any effective schemes to increase employment generation, technological innovation and competition in heavy industry sector;
- (b) if so, the details of the evaluation of the effects of these schemes and the outcome thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has taken concrete steps to ensure adherence to environment standards;
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (e) whether the Government has made a policy to attract foreign investment; and
- (f) if so, the outcome thereof?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES (SHRI BHUPATHIRAJU SRINIVASA VARMA)

- (a): Ministry of Heavy Industries is implementing the Scheme for "Enhancement of Competitiveness in the Indian Capital Goods Sector- Phase II". This scheme is aimed at:-
- (i) Creating a strong and globally competitive capital goods sector; (ii) Creating a self-sustaining eco system for research and innovation for manufacturing technologies through the use of Technology Innovation Portals; (iii) Enhancing the skills of the existing manpower and to expand the availability of highly skilled manpower for the sector; (iv) Promotion of smart manufacturing and to facilitate adoption of relevant, robust and affordable technologies for Industry 4.0 in the Capital Goods sector in order to improve efficiency and productivity; and (v) Promotion of progressive indigenization of technologies for capital goods. The scheme has a financial outlay of Rs. 1207 crores with budgetary support of Rs.975 crore and Industry Contribution of Rs.232 crore.
- (b): The third Party Evaluation of the Phase I of the Scheme was conducted by an expert committee under the Chairmanship of Shri S. Chaudhary, Director, IIT-Jodhpur. The Committee, inter alia, recommended that the present scheme has paved the way towards fulfilling the technological and infrastructural requirements of the Capital Goods sector in a limited way. However, to cater to the needs of the entire Capital Goods industry across the country, the upscaling of the present scheme would lead to creation of the desired impact on Make in India initiative of the Government of India. Accordingly, on January 25, 2022, Ministry of Heavy Industries has notified the Scheme for "Enhancement of Competitiveness in the Indian Capital Goods Sector- Phase-II"
- (c) to (e): There is no such provision under the present Scheme.
- **(f):** Does not arise.
