# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2495

FOR ANSWER ON 01/08/2016

### POLLUTION BY STEEL INDUSTRY

### 2495. SHRI ASHWINI KUMAR CHOUBEY:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware of the pollution caused by steel plants in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government to ensure that pollutants from steel plants remain within the prescribed limits/norms?

## **ANSWER**

### THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR STEEL

(SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI)

- (a)&(b): Yes, Madam. By its very nature, Iron & Steel Industry is raw-material and energy intensive and generates pollution. However, the quantum and nature of pollution vary from plant to plant depending upon the technology adopted and the quality of raw-material used. Accordingly, steel plants install pollution control systems besides adoption of various other clean and green technologies to contain pollution within the prescribed limits.
- (c) Emission and Effluent standards have been notified for integrated Iron & Steel Plants which are to be complied with by the plants. Pollution control devices and technological interventions are used to reduce the pollution levels under permissible limits.

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