

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
LOK SABHA**

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BHEL , BHOPAL .
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Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited, Bhopal is the profit-making industrial unit;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to protect this profit making industrial unit from the tricky competition of Multi-national companies?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES

(DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA)

(a) & (b) : Yes, Sir. BHEL, Bhopal is a profit making unit of the company. Some of the major performance indicators for the Bhopal Unit for the last three years are given below:

| Year | Turnover | Value Added | Profit before tax | Rs./Cr. |
|---------|----------|-------------|-------------------|---------|
| 1996-97 | 1008 | 424 | 113 | |
| 1997-98 | 1070 | 430 | 124 | |
| 1998-99 | 1159 | 431 | 91 | |

(c):The Government has given increased autonomy to BHEL by according it `Navratna` status. The Board of BHEL has been strengthened by inducting part-time Directors. BHEL is updating its manufacturing facilities, product technology and improving the delivery cycle to remain competitive.