

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2011

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EXPORT ORDERS FROM AUSTRALIA

A. VENKATESH NAIK;ASHOK NAMDEORAO MOHOL;RAMSHETH THAKUR

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the BHEL has achieved a major break through in securing a export order from Australia;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the foreign exchange likely to be earned therefrom; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to increase the export of engineering goods to Australia?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. BHEL has received an order for supply and providing technical assistance for installation of 3x123.4 MW Gas Turbine Generating units and the electrical and mechanical auxiliaries, from a subsidiary company of AES, U.S.A. for their project at Stonehaven in Australia.

(c) : The contract is for US dollars 59.4 million (equivalent to Rs.278 cores)

(d): An exclusive INDIA TECH Exhibition is to be organized in March,2002 in Sydney, Australia by the Engineering Export Promotion Council with the support of the Department of Commerce under the Market Development Assistance Scheme. This is expected to give significant boost to the efforts for increasing export of engineering goods to Australia by providing an opportunity to the participating companies to display their products to the prospective buyers.