

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2988  
ANSWERED ON:10.08.2001  
CLOSURE OF PSUS IN WEST BENGAL  
BASUDEB ACHARIA;SUNIL KHAN

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

- (a) whether the Government have decided to close down six Central Public Sector Undertakings in the State of West Bengal;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the proposal submitted by the Union Government before BIFR in regard to these PSUs
- (d) whether it is also a fact that Government of West Bengal has submitted a proposal for the revival of Mining and Allied Machinery Corporation of Durgapur; and
- (e) if so, the action taken thereon?

**Answer**

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

- (a) & (b): Permission of the Appropriate Government has been received for closure of 3 PSUs viz. Bharat Process and Mechanical Engineering Ltd. (BPMEL), Weighbird India Ltd. (WIL) and Rehabilitation Industries Corporation (RIC) under the Department of Heavy Industry, located in West Bengal.
- (c) Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) has recommended winding up of BPME and WIL after taking into account the views of all the concerned agencies and exploring all possible options for their revival. RIC is a non-BIFR sick company.
- (d) & (e): BIFR, in its meeting held on 29.6.2001, after considering the revival plan submitted by the Unions and submission made by Government of West Bengal, has recommended winding up of Mining & Allied Machinery Corporation (MAMC).