GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DISINVESTMENT LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:255 ANSWERED ON:06.08.2003 DISINVESTMENT OF PSUs SADASHIVRAO DADOBA MANDLIK

Will the Minister of DISINVESTMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the names of Public Sector Undertakings proposed to be disinvested during the current financial year (2003-04);

(b) the progress and status of each of the PSUs to be disinvested during the said period;

(c) the financial position of such PSUs;

(d) the names/number of companies in the race for acquiring controlling stake of these PSUs, PSU-wise; and

(e) the manner in which the amount realized therefrom would be utilized?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF DISINVESTMENT SHOURIE)

(a) to (e): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (E) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 255 6.8.2003 REGARDING DISINVESTMENT OF PSUS BY SHRI SADASHIVRAO DADOBA MANDLIK AND SHRI C.N.SINGH.

(a) & (b): Implementation of the disinvestment programme depends on a variety of factors including market conditions, industry-wise business cycle fluctuations, interest of the prospective bidders and adequacy of the price bid. Moreover, Government does not sell its equity holding in distress. In view of this, the PSUs in which disinvestment process will becompleted during 2003-04 cannot be identified. Names of the PSUs in which disinvestment decisionhas been taken and disinvestment is in progress are at Annexure-I. The procedure followed for disinvestment is well defined and has been refined over the years. It involves multiple stages of consultation and decision making in the Inter-Ministerial Group(IMG) formulated speciallyfor each case, the Core Group of Secretaries on Disinvestment (CGD) and the Cabinet Committee on Disinvestment (CCD). The procedure is followed in all cases However, the current status of processing of each case can be potentially, commercially sensitive information which is therefore not disclosed.

(c): The financial position of the PSUs under disinvestment is at Annexure-II

(d): The names of bidders in a transaction are not disclosed since this is commercially sensitive information.

(e): The amount realised from disinvestment is presently credited to the Consolidated Fundof India. The annual provisions in the Budget for generating investment and employment, restructuring Public Sector Undertakings and retiring public debt have exceeded the proceeds from disinvestment.

ANNEXURE-I

ANNEXURE-I REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) & (B) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 255 FOR 6.8.2003 REGARDING DISINVESTMENT OF PSUS BY SHRI SADASHIVRAO DADOBA MANDLIK AND SHRI C.N.SINGH.

Cases in which disinvestment decision has been taken and strategic sale is in progress.

I Strategic Sale

- 1 Hindustan Organic Chemicals Ltd.
- 2 National Fertilizer Ltd.
- 3 Balmer Lawrie and Co. Ltd.
- 4 Braithwaite & Co.
- 5 Burn Standard & Co.
- 6 Bharat Heavy Plates and Vessels Ltd.
- 7 Engineering Projects India Ltd.
- 8 Fertilizer & Chemicals Travancore Ltd.

9 Hindustan Copper Ltd. 10 Madras Fertilisers Ltd. 11 MECON Ltd. 12 MSTC Ltd. 13 National Aluminium Company Ltd. (Not being pursued at present) 14 National Instruments Ltd. 15 NEPA Ltd. 16 State Trading Corporation of India Ltd. 17 Shipping Corporation of India 18 Tyre Corporation of India 19 Tungabhadra Steel Products Ltd. 20 Engineers India Ltd. 21 Manganese Ore India Ltd. 22 Sponge Iron India Ltd. 23 Bharat Opthalmic Glass Ltd. 24 Instrumentation Ltd., Kota (Mother Unit) 25 Hindustan Paper Corporation Ltd. 26 Hotel Corporation of India Ltd. (HCI) (i) Centaur Hotel Airport, Delhi (including Chefair Delhi) (ii) Chefair Mumbai 27 India Tourism Development Corporation (ITDC) (i) Hotel Samrat; New D3elhi (Lease-cum-management contract) (ii) Hotel Jaipur Ashok (iii) Hotel Patliputra Ashok (iv) Hotel Kalinga Ashok (v) Hotel Jammu Ashok 28 Central Inland Water Transport Corporation Ltd. 29 Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd. 30 Rashtriya Chemicals & Fertilizers Ltd. 31 National Building Construction Corporation Ltd. 32 Mineral Exploration Corporation Ltd. 33 Hotel Neelchal Ashok, Puri 34 Hotel Lakeview Ashok, Bhopal 35 Hotel Ranchi Ashok, Ranchi 36 Hotel Brahmaputra Ashok, Guwahati 37 Hotel Pondicherry Ashok, Pondicherry 38 Hotel Donyi Polo Ashok, Itanagar 39 Hotel Punjab Ashok, Anandpur Sahib II Through Offer for Sale 40 Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd. 41 Dredging Corporation of India Ltd. III For residual shares of Government through Offer for Sale route 42 CMC Ltd. 43 Videsh Sanchar Nigam Ltd. (VSNL) 44 IBP Ltd. 45 Indian Petrochemicals Corporation Limited (IPCL) 46 Bharat Aluminium Co. Ltd. (BALCO)

ANNEXURE-II

ANNEXURE-II REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (C) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 256.8:20183 REGARDING DISINVESTMENT OF PSUS BY SHRI SADASHIVRAO DADOBA MANDLIK AND SHRI C.N.SINGH.

Name of PSU Profit After Tax (Rs. in crores)

Hindustan Organic Chemicals Ltd. (-)62.68 National Fertilizer Ltd. 40.61 Balmer Lawrie and Co. Ltd. 8.01 Braithwaite & Co. (-)33.55 Burn Standard & Co. (-)78.3 (-)78.35 Bharat Heavy Plates and Vessels Ltd. 1 Engineering Projects India Ltd. 9.43 1.46 Fertilizer & Chemicals Travancore Ltd. 0.57 Hindustan Copper Ltd. (-)184.04 Madras Fertilisers Ltd. (-)70.31MECON Ltd. (-)112.68 MSTC Ltd. 4.54 National Alumini National Aluminium Company Ltd. 409.35 (-)5.90 National Instruments Ltd. NEPA Ltd. (-)35.16 State Trading Corporation of India Ltd. (-)40.79Shipping Corporation of India 241.56 Tyre Corporation of India (-)67.41 (-)20.03 Tungabhadra Steel Products Ltd. Engineers India Ltd. 24.71 Manganese Ore India Ltd. 19.52 Sponge Iron India Ltd. 0.55 Bharat Opthalmic Glass Ltd. (-)37.69

Instrumentation Ltd., Kota (Mother Unit) includes Palakkad $(-)\,30.49$ unit, which is disinvested separately

Hindustan Paper Corporation Ltd. 436.00 Hotel Corporation of India Ltd. (Note 1) (-)35.66 India Tourism Development Corporation (Note 2) (-) 32.86 Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd. 849.83 Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Ltd. 787. 787.98 Hotel Ranchi Ashok, Ranchi (-)0.21 Hotel Neelchal Ashok, Puri (-)0.98 Hotel Lakeview Ashok, Bhopal (-)0.51 Hotel Brahmaputra Ashok, Guwahati 0.16 Hotel Pondicherry Ashok, Pondicherry (Hotel Donyi Polo Ashok, Itanagar 0.05 (-)0.25 National Building Construction Corporation Ltd. 3.70 Rashtriya Chemicals & Fertilizers Ltd. 24.21 Central Inland Water Transport Corporation Ltd. 431.28 Mineral Exploration Corporation Ltd. (-)0.57 Dredging Corporation of India Ltd. 101.55 Dredging Corporation of India Ltd. Bharat Aluminium Company Ltd. 18.76 CMC Ltd. 37.05 Videsh Sanchar Nigam Ltd. (VSNL) 589.00 IBP Ltd. 87.00 Indian Petrochemicals Corporation Limited (IPCL) 204.00

Note 1: Data is given for HCI as a whole. However, 2 units of HCI at Centaur Hotel Airport, Delhi (including Chefari Delhi), Chefair Mumbai are being disinvested.

Note 2: Data is given for ITDC as a whole. However, 5 units of ITDC at Hotel Samrat; New Delhi, Jaipur, Patliputra, Bhubaneshwar and Jammu are being disinvested. Hotel Punjab Ashok, Anandpur Sahib is under construction.

Note 3: Financial Data is for 2001-02 except in the case of CMC, IBP and IPCL where 2002-03 results have been used. For VSNL data for nine months ending December 2002 has been used.