GOVERNMENT OF INDIA STEEL LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1079 ANSWERED ON:28.11.2011 REVIEW OF STEEL PLANT MOUS Ponnam Shri Prabhakar;Singh Shri Dushyant

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Memorandam of Understandings (MoUs) signed between various State Governments and private companies for investment in steel sector during the last three years and the current year;

(b) whether the Government proposes to review the previously signed MoUs with the companies;

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) the number of mega projects being implemented at present, State-wise; and

(e) the total production capacity of each plant proposed to be set up in the steel sector?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA)

(a) 41 MoUs have been signed between various State Governments and private companies for investment in steel sector during the last three years and current year, as per the record of information available in the Ministry of Steel.

(b)&(c): No, Madam. Steel being a deregulated sector, Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is purely a statement of understanding between the concerned State Government and the respective steel investor. Government of India has no role to play in the MoU.

(d)&(e): The details in respect of existing steel projects/plants and proposed steel plants having capacity more than 1 million tonne per annum are given at Annexure-I and Annexure-II, respectively. No Ultra Mega Steel Plant/project is under implementation or proposed at present, as per the information available in Ministry of Steel.