

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4488  
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ASSISTANCE TO BHPV  
Ponnam Shri Prabhakar

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

- (a) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh has requested the Ministry for grant of financial assistance to the Bharat Heavy Plate & Vessels Limited (BHPV) in Visakhapatnam;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the action taken thereon;
- (c) the financial position of BHPV;
- (d) whether BHPV is likely to be merged with any Public Sector Undertakings; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof and the time by which it is likely to be materialized?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI ARUN YADAV)

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): The Government of Andhra Pradesh had in September, 2007 requested Government of India to waive off loans and interest to the tune of Rs.415 crore and provide cash support of Rs.264 crore for liquidating liabilities of BHPV to the Banks, the suppliers and others.

Government of India waived off loans and interest of BHPV amounting to Rs.415.61 crore. Government of India has also decided to provide government guarantee for an amount of Rs.250 crore to enable BHPV to raise funds from the market.

BHPV was taken over by BHEL as a going concern with all its assets and liabilities, as its 100% subsidiary in May, 2008.

(c): The financial position of BHPV as per 'Operating Results' of 2008-09 is:- (Rupees in crore)

Order book position      235.74

Turnover                  84.39

Profit Before Tax        (-) 133.15

Networth                (-) 229.93

(d): No, Madam.

(e): Does not arise.