

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

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MA ARATNA STATUS TO PSUS
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Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the PSU giants have recently asked the Government to bestow them the status of `Maharatna` so as to distinguish them from the emerging and new navrama PSUs: and

(b) if so. the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SIIRI VILASRAO DESHMUKH)

(a) No proposal from any Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) has been recently received in Department of Public Enterprises for grant of `Maharatna` status to it.

(b) Does not arise.