GOVERNMENT OF INDIA LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1414 ANSWERED ON:03.12.2012 JOB LOSS DUE TO CLOSURE OF FACTORIES Mohan Shri P. C.;Pandurang Shri Munde Gopinathrao

Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that due to closure of factories in large numbers in each year the number of those who have been rendered jobless is increasing continuously;

(b) if so, the State-wise details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to provide economic aid to revive the closed factories;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the other measures taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI KODIKUNNIL SURESH)

(a) & (b): As per the statistics compiled by Labour Bureau, Ministry of Labour & Employment, no clear trend is established showing rise in the number of persons rendered jobless due to closure of factories in various states of the country. The State-wise data on the number of industrial units closed and the number of workers affected during2011 and 2012, as compiled by Labour Bureau, is Annexed.

(c) & (d): Based on the recommendations of Board for Reconstruction of Public Sector Enterprises (BRPSE), the Government of India gives cash assistance in the form of infusion of funds and non-cash assistance in the form of waivers/write-offs of interests/loans etc. for revival of sick Central Public Sector Enterprises. Decisions with regard to other industries falling in the State Sphere are taken by the concerned State Governments.

(e): A scheme of Counseling, Retraining & Redeployment (CRR) is being implemented since 2001-02 by Department of Public Enterprises to provide opportunities of redeployment through counseling and retraining to separated employees of Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) rendered surplus as a result of modernization, technology up gradation and manpower restructuring in CPSEs. The objective is to equip them with skill/expertise enabling them to be deployed in self-employment activities mainly.