

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4545
ANSWERED ON:20.12.2012
BURN STANDARD COMPANY LIMITED
Dome Dr. Ram Chandra

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

- (a) whether a workers co-operative formed by workers of Burn Standard Company Limited's (BSCL) defunct R and C units at Raniganj, West Bengal has staked its claim to run the units;
- (b) if so, whether the Government of West Bengal has supported the proposal and desired handing over of the land along with other infrastructures of these defunct units to them for their gainful utilization;
- (c) if so, whether the proposal is still under consideration of the Government;
- (d) if so, the details thereof;
- (e) whether BSCL wagon units at Burnpur and Howrah in West Bengal and Refractory and Ceramic (R&C) Unit at Salem in Tamil Nadu has been handed over to Ministry of Railways and Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) respectively;
- (f) if so, whether the properties now being held by the parent company BSCL; and (g) if so, whether Bharat Bhari Udyog Nigam Limited (BBUNL) has declined to take possession of the landed property of the defunct R&C Units of the company; and (h) if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b): Yes, Madam.

(c) & (d): The Company being under reference to BIFR, the rights on the aforesaid land at Lalkoti and Raniganj cannot be transferred to Government of West Bengal or to the Co-operative Society or to any third party without prior approval of BIFR.

(e): Yes, Madam. As per the order of Government of India, Administrative Control of Wagon Units of Burn Standard Company Limited situated at Burnpur and Howrah was transferred to Ministry of Railways on 15.09.2010. The Refractory Unit of BSCL at Salem has been transferred to SAIL Refractory Company Ltd., wholly owned subsidiary of SAIL on 16.12.2011.

(f): Barring the properties of Refractory & Ceramic Unit at Salem in Tamil Nadu, other properties are now being held by the parent company BSCL.

(g) & (h): No, Madam.