

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:484

ANSWERED ON:09.12.2013

. CEMENT PLANTS

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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of cement plants in both public and private sector along with their production capacity;
- (b) the names and details of the cement plants which have not started production along with their projected annual production capacity; and
- (c) the number of cement plants both in public and private sector declared sick / closed along with their production capacity ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (DR.E.M.SUDARSANA NATCHIAPPAN)

(a) to (c): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.484 FOR ANSWER ON 9.12.2013.

(a) & (b): According to the information available from the Cement Manufacturers' Association (CMA) and other companies, the details of cement plants in both private and public sector and their annual production capacity as on 31.10.2012 is at Annexure. The Competition Commission of India (CCI) has imposed penalties on the cement industry for cartelization and it has not been possible to obtain further information from CMA from June, 2012 onwards. Steps have been taken towards establishing a mechanism for obtaining relevant information about the cement sector. The Cement Industry has been decontrolled and de-licensed in 1991 under the Industrial (Development & Regulation) Act, 1951. After the announcement of the Industrial Policy in 1991, the investment decision including project location for setting up cement Plants have been left to the commercial judgement of the entrepreneurs. The Department is, therefore, not involved in granting any licence or approval either for establishing or for functioning of cement plants. According to the Report of the Working Group on Cement Industry for the XII Five Year Plan, the projected annual production capacity during 2012-13 is 349.60 million tonnes.

(c): The information is not maintained by this Department.