GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1806 ANSWERED ON:01.12.2009 EXPANSION OF NALCO Ponnam Shri Prabhakar

Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Aluminium Company Limited (NALCO) has announced any expansion plan;

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

(c) the fund earmarked/released for the purpose, State-wise, including Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) the contribution of the State Government of Andhra Pradesh in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF MINES AND MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT OF NORTH EASTERN REGION (SHRI B. K. HANDIQUE)

(a) & (b): National Aluminium Company Limited(NALCO) has informed that they propose to establish mines and refinery project in Visakhapatnam District of Andhra Pradesh and an aluminium smelter plant and coal based captive power plant at Brajarajnagar in Jharsuguda District of Orissa as a part of its expansion plan in India. The details of the proposed expansion plans in Andhra Pradesh and Orissa are as follows:-

{capacity in tonnes per year(TPY)} Visakhapatnam District,Andhra Pradesh Brajarajnagar in Jharsuguda District, Orissa Bauxite Minescapacity 42,00,000 TPY Aluminium Smeltercapacity 5,00,000 TPY in two phases Alumina Plant capacity 14,00,000 TPY Captive Power Plant capacity 1260 Mega Watt in two phases

Estimated investment Rs. 5,700 crores Estimated investment Rs. 16,345 crores

(c): NALCO has informed that the commitments made for both projects as on 25.11.2009 for pre-project activities are as follows:-

State Fund earmarked Fund released

Andhra Pradesh Rs. 2.00 crores Rs. 17 lakhs Orissa Rs. 2.00 crores Rs. 40 lakhs

(d): The State Government of Andhra Pradesh has not made any financial contribution in this regard.