## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA STEEL LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2864 ANSWERED ON:10.02.2014 VIOLATION OF REGULATIONS IN STEEL PLANTS Khaire Shri Chandrakant Bhaurao

## Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been any study/report on environmental pollution caused by the various steel plants under the public and private sectors and if so, the facts thereof along with the names of the steel plants particularly which are causing environmental pollution in their particular regions;

(b) the details of the steel plants where pollution control mechanisms have been installed during the last three years along with the expenditure incurred thereon;

(c) the details of the steel plants which do not have any mechanism for pollution control and the action taken against such plants along with the steps being taken by the Government to ensure that such pollution control mechanisms are installed in all steel plants;

(d) whether there have been violations in the tender process for installing environmental and pollution controlling mechanism in the Bokaro Steel Plant and if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether the Government has received any complaint regarding such violations and if so, the action taken by the Government in the matter?

## Answer

## THE MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA)

(a) Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) inspects industries including steel plants under Environment Surveillance Squad (ESS) on regular basis. Based on observations in inspection reports suitable actions are taken. Directions under Section 18 (1) (b) of Air Act, 1981 and Water Act, 1974 are issued to concerned State Pollution Control Board for M/s. Jindal Steel & Power Ltd., Raigarh, Chattissgarh and M/s. Indian Iron & Steel Co. Ltd., Burnpur, West Bengal and Directions under Section 5 of E (P) Act, 1986 was issued to M/s. Bokaro Steel Plant, Bokaro Steel City, Jharkhand and Rourkela Steel Plant, Orissa.

(b) The details of the steel plants where pollution control mechanisms have been installed during the last three years are placed at Annexure -1.

(c) Almost all major and integrated steel plants have installed various pollution control mechanism in their respective plants. Details are at Annexure -1.

(d) No, Madam.

(e) No, Madam.