

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

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Reducing Regional Imbalances

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

- (a) whether the Ministry has played any role in eradicating regional imbalances by way of promoting heavy industries and Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) in backward areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the manner in which the Ministry proposes to make use of its schemes as a catalyst for the development of backward areas?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWARA)

(a) to (c): Industry is state subject. However, Department of Heavy Industry (DHI) has played a major role in eradicating regional imbalances by way of promoting heavy industries by setting up several Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) in various States including backward areas. Moreover, DHI seeks to provide technology development as well as environment friendly technologies in the industry through innovative schemes. Many states have evolved incentives and schemes for the development and growth of industries including heavy industries. Central Government, through Ministry of Finance, also provides incentives in the direct and indirect tax structure for the growth of industries across the country.
