GOVERNMENT OF INDIA HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2643 ANSWERED ON:28.07.2014 HEAVY ENGINEERING CORPORATION LIMITED Hansdak Shri Vijay Kumar

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

(a) whether the Heavy Engineering Corporation Limited (HECL) is planning to tie up with various foreign companies in the field of mining and engineering activities;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the manner in which such collaborations are likely to benefit HECL;

(c) whether HECL has been undergoing losses over the last few years and has resorted to do away with disposal of non-core assets like land liquidation etc.; and

(d) if so, the details of the amount generated by selling such assets and the manner in which such fund is going to be utilised to revive the fortunes of HECL?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a) & (b) HECL ties up with various Companies, including foreign Companies, while bidding for projects. These Companies may act as technology providers, civil contractors etc. in such projects. Many such projects have been successfully implemented in the heavy engineering sector.

(c) & (d) No, Madam.

In the revival package approved by the Government for HEC in 2005, approval was, inter alia, given for HEC to accept the proposal of Government of Jharkhand (GOJ) to transfer 2342 acres of land and 17 buildings and 1155 residential quarters along with land appurtenant there to, in lieu of payment of Rs. 275.51 crore by the Government of J harkhand.

In pursuance to the approval, HEC has handed over 17 non-residential buildings with 85.11 acres of appurtenant land,1148 residential quarters and 1902 acres of vacant land to Govt. of Jharkhand. Out of Rs. 275.51 crore Govt. of Jharkhand has so far released Rs.164.21 crore to HEC (Rs.91.41 crore in March-2009 and Rs.72.80 crore on 31.3.2010).

In addition, company has generated Rs.85.44 crore from long term lease of quarters to resident employees/ ex-employees during the period 2006-07 & 2007-08 and Rs. 15.86 crore by leasing land to Jharkhand Cricket Association.

The funds have been utilised by HEC for liquidating dues, meeting working capital and capital expenditure.