

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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. PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION OF CEMENT

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

- (a) the details of the cement production and consumption in the country during each of the last three years and current year, State/UT-wise;
- (b) the details of cement plants in both private and public sector along with the plants which have been declared sick or are lying closed;
- (c) the installed production capacity of cement plants in the country along with their projected annual production capacity;
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to utilize the installed capacity of cement plants;
- (e) whether the Government encourages use of environmental friendly fly ash in cement industry; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRIMATI NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

- (a): Information regarding cement production is estimated and maintained on an all India basis on the basis of information furnished by cement manufacturing companies and such information is not maintained with State-wise/UT-wise disaggregation. Accordingly, estimated production and consumption of cement in the last three years including the current year (till date) is given at Annexure 'A'.
- (b): The details Cement plants both in Private and Public Sector are indicated in Annexure 'B'. The details of the Cement Plants which have been declared sick or lying closed is placed at Annexure 'C'.
- (c): The installed production capacity of the cement plants in the country is 324.50 Million Tonnes per annum (MTPA). The details of projected annual production capacity are not being maintained in the Department.
- (d): The Government is taking necessary steps by co-ordinating with the Ministry of Coal, Ministry of Environment & Forests, Ministry of Road Transport and Highways and Ministry of Finance for full utilization of installed capacity of Cement industry.
- (e): Yes, Madam. The government encourages use of fly ash generated from thermal power plants in Cement Industry.
- (f): Steps and policy initiatives taken by Govt. in this regard are as under:
 - i) Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) has played vital role in promoting uses of fly ash by formulating standards on fly ash quality and for making Portland Pozzolana Cement (PPC) utilizing fly ash.
 - ii) Further, Ministry of Environment and Forests (MOEF), Government of India has issued notification No.S.O. 2804 (E), 03 November 2009 for fly ash utilization, which states that every construction agency engaged in the construction of buildings within a radius of one hundred kilometers from a coal or lignite based thermal power plant shall use only fly ash based products for construction.