

Cement Factories in Maharashtra

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Will the Minister of INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state

(a) how many cement factories are there in Maharashtra in the public and the private sector and what is the capacity of each one of them,

(b) whether the Maharashtra Government have represented to the Central Government for starting some more cement factories in that State and

(c) if so the proposed location and the capacity thereof and the action proposed to be taken by the Central Government on their representation?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI PRANAB KUMAR MUKHERJEE) (a) There is one cement factory at Chanda in Maharashtra in the private sector with a capacity of 40 lakh tonnes per annum

(b) and (c) No Sir However an application dated 19th April 1973 has been received from a private party for setting up a cement plant at Chanaka (Maharashtra) for a capacity of 60 lakh tonnes per annum

SHRI J G KADAM As there is availability of raw-material at Chanaka in Maharashtra will Government be kind enough to establish a cement factory in the public sector over there?

SHRI PRANAB KUMAR MUKHERJEE At present there is no such proposal to establish a cement factory in public sector in Maharashtra

SHRI SHANKERRAO SAVANT May I know whether any private

party has applied for a cement factory at Chanaka?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI C SUBRAMANIAM) Generally, the details of pending applications are not given

श्री मधु लिमये क्या मंत्री महोदय का ध्यान इस बात की ओर गया है कि सीमेंट का जा नियंत्रित दाम है, उसमें नकरीबन टाई-गुने दाम पर सीमेंट बिक रहा है और चूँकि महाराष्ट्र में सीमेंट के बाखाने नहीं हैं इसलिए वहाँ सीमेंट का दाम तीन-गुना हो गया है। क्या मंत्री महोदय का इस बात की जानकारी है? यदि है तो सीमेंट के वितरण के बारे में और उत्पादन के बारे में कौन सा मरुचित कदम वे उठाने जा रहे हैं ?

SHRI C SUBRAMANIAM This does not relate to distribution at all. This relates to number of factories in Maharashtra

श्री मधु लिमये बाखाने नहीं रहे तो उत्पादन नहीं होगा और उत्पादन नहीं होगा तो वितरण में दिक्कत आयेगी .

अध्यक्ष महोदय यह तो नये बाखाने चलाने के बारे में है वितरण के बारे में नहीं है।

SHRI DHAMANKAR Is there any proposal to start a cement factory in the cooperative sector over there?

SHRI PRANAB KUMAR MUKHERJEE There is no such proposal for the present