

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

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3296
ANSWERED ON:14.08.2003
REVIVAL OF LALKOTI REFRACTORIES
BASUDEB ACHARIA

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

- (a) whether to revive the operation of the closed Lalkoti Refractories, a unit a Burn Standard Company Limited and Employees Industrial Co-operative has been formed;
- (b) whether the same Co-operative has made request to the Union Government to allow them to revive the Company through this co-operative;
- (c) whether such proposal has also been endorsed by the State Government of West Bengal and duly forwarded to the Union Government for their consideration;
- (d) if so, details thereof;
- (e) whether inordinate delay is taking place in according such permission to run the Company through the Industrial Co-operative;
- (f) if so, the facts thereof; and
- (g) the steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI SUBODH MOHITE)

(a) to (d): A proposal was received from Government of West Bengal that the unit may be handed over to a cooperative society formed by the retired employees. Subsequently Government of West Bengal forwarded another proposal for permitting the workers cooperative to revive the unit through the cooperative society.

(e) to (g): A proposal was sent to the Government of West Bengal for the transfer of the unit to them on `as is where is` who would then work out the modalities and pass on the unit to the registered Workers` Co-operative. A final response in this regard from West Bengal Government is awaited.