

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

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

- (a) the details of major, medium and small cement industries in the country especially in tribal/backward/rural areas, as on date;
- (b) the details of cement production recorded during the last three years and the current year, State-wise and industry-wise;
- (c) the number of persons employed therein, State-wise:
- (d) whether any proposal for setting up of any cement plant is pending with the Union Government; and
- (e) if so, the details and the present status thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SMT. KANTI SINGH)

- (a) & (b) As per information received from the Ministry of Commerce & Industry, the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (IP&P), the details of capacity as on 31.03.2006 and production of major cement plants, Region-wise, State-wise during the last three years is given at Annexure. The information on production in medium and small cement industries and cement plants in tribal/backward/rural areas is not maintained by that Department.
- (c) Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion does not maintain information regarding number of persons employed in the cement industry.
- (d) & (e): The cement sector is a delicensed sector and any decision to set up a cement plant is taken by the entrepreneur based on techno-economic consideration.