

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
DEFENCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4843  
ANSWERED ON:16.12.2016  
Plant of Bharat Electronics Limited  
Rao Shri Konakalla Narayana

**Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether Bharat Electronics Limited has proposed to set up a plant at Nimmakuru village in Andhra Pradesh to make IR seekers, night vision devices and thermal imaging cameras;
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the steps taken by the Government to expedite the process of setting up of the said plant; and
- (c) the expected employment to be provided to the locals through the said project?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE (DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE)  
IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE  
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(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL) is in the process of setting up a new factory at Nimmakuru Village in Andhra Pradesh as part of the expansion of the existing unit of BEL Machilipatnam unit. The foundation stone for setting up the new factory was laid on 19th September, 2016. Construction work is under progress.

(c) It is expected that the new production facility in Nimmakuru village is likely to generate employment for around 500 local population, directly and indirectly.

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