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MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.127
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Condition of Cement Factories

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

- (a) the current status of the Cement Corporation of India along with the number of units sick or closed, State-wise including Chhattisgarh;
- (b) the reasons for the sickness/closure of such units;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to revive the sick/closed cement factories particularly in Chhattisgarh; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI G.M. SIDDESHWARA)

(a): Cement Corporation of India (CCI) is a sick BIFR referred company. It has got 3 operating units and 7 non-operating (closed) units. The current status of CCI is as under:-

Name of the Unit	Location	Current Status
Bokajan	Karbi Anglong, Assam.	Operating.
Rajban	Sirmur (HP)	Operating.
Tandur	Ranga Reddy, Telangana	Operating.
Mandhar	Raipur, Chhattisgarh	Non-operative and closed.
Akaltara	Janjgir Champa, Chhattisgrh	Non-operative and closed.
Kurkunta	Gulbarga, Karnataka	Non-operative and closed.
Nayagaon / Nayagaon Expansion	Neemuch (MP)	Non-operative and closed.
Charkhi Dadri	Bhiwani, Haryana	Non-operative and closed.
Adilabad #	Adilbad, Telangana	Non-operative.
Delhi Grinding Unit	New Delhi, Delhi	Non-operative and closed.

Unit located at Adilabad (Telangana) could not be closed due to interim order of the Hon'ble High Court of Andhra Pradesh for maintaining status-quo.

(b): The main reason for sickness of the Units were obsolete technology and non-modernisation of plants due to shortage of working capital.

(c) & (d): Cement Industry in general is controlled by the Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP). DIPP has informed that Cement industry has been decontrolled and delicensed due to the policy of economic liberalization.

As regards CCI, a CPSE under Department of Heavy Industry, there is no proposal to revive the closed units because the Sanctioned Revival Scheme of the company envisages upgradation of the operating units and closure and sale of non-operating units including the units at Mandhar and Akaltara in Chhattisgarh.
