GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES DEPARTMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1195 TO BE ANSWERED ON 28.07.2015

Maharatna Status to BHEL

1195. SHRI ALOK SANJAR:

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

- (a) whether Maharatna status is proposed to be awarded to Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd. (BHEL) by the Government;
- (b)if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether this new status is likely to help BHEL in exploring new opportunities; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

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

- (a) & (b): Maharatna status has been granted to Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited (BHEL) by the Government of India on 1st February, 2013.
- (c) & (d): Yes Madam, the enhanced powers delegated under Maharatna status may help BHEL to :-
- tap bigger opportunities for equity participation / investment in large size power projects, joint ventures / subsidiaries ;
- explore and pursue various opportunities in areas like transportation, transmission, power & energy sectors :
- build its businesses including in defence and exports;
- create below Board level posts upto E-9 level as also position senior level executives to oversee/manage new areas.
