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

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3081 TO BE ANSWERED ON 14.12.2016

Concessions to cement industry

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

- (a) whether the Energy Conference on Energy Efficiency Technologies in cement and manufacturing sector had taken place recently, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the attention of Government is drawn to the matter of providing a special package of concessions to the cement factories to encourage them to adopt energy conversation measures and whether it has been endorsed by the participant companies;
- (c) if so, the response of Government to such demands; and
- (d) the steps being taken by Government to safeguard the cement industry in the country?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI BABUL SUPRIYO)

(a): Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP) has informed that recently Energy Conferences on Energy Efficiency Technologies in cement and manufacturing sector have been organized as per details given below:

S. No	Name of program and organizer	Schedule of	Place of
		conference	conference
1	National Workshop cum Technology Exhibition for Promoting Industrial Energy Efficiency by Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE)	7-8 November, 2016	New Delhi
2	"Energy efficiency measures in Cement industry: Path Ahead" by Cement Manufacturing Association (CMA)	29 Nov., 2016	New Delhi
3	12 th edition of Green Cementech by Confederation of Indian Industries (CII)	12-13 May, 2016	Hyderabad

- (b) & (c): Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP) has informed that Government is aware about the issue of energy efficiency in cement sector. Accordingly, Bureau of Energy Efficiency (Under Ministry of power) has introduced a programme namely, Perform-Achieve-Trade (PAT) to encourage and improve energy efficiency measures in 11 energy intensive sectors in India. Cement sector is one of them. 1st cycle under PAT program has been completed in 2014-15. 2nd PAT cycle is in progress and is scheduled from 1st April 2016 to 31st March 2019.
- (d): Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion (DIPP) has informed that to safeguard cement industry in the country, Government of India promulgates regulatory requirements for manufacture of goods with optimization of energy consumption in the manufacturing process. Energy Conservation Act, 2001 is one of the major steps taken by the Government of India.
