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

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 268 TO BE ANSWERED ON 06.08.2013

### Payment to SSUs by M/s Instrumentation Ltd.

### 268. SHRI SALIM ANSARI:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to refer to answer given to Unstarred Question 2443 in the Rajya Sabha on 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2013 and state:

- (a) whether payment to Small Scale Units (SSUs) have since been released by M/s Instrumentation Limited, Kota;
- (b) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether Government would refer the matter to Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) against officers responsible for violating payment terms of Purchase Orders; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

# <u>ANSWER</u> MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a): The company has since released full payment to 6 Small Scale Units viz. SETREL, Pyrotech, HP Valves, Wonder Poly, Sunil & Co. and Sunlit Industries Ltd. and part payment has been made to 3 Small Scale Units viz. M/s. Himachal Wire Industries (P) Ltd., M/s. MASIBUS and M/s. CHINO.

(b): Non Payment is mainly because of acute shortage of working capital with the company.

(c) & (d): The company is presently in financial crisis and it is finding it difficult to make timely payment of even salary/wages and statutory dues of its employees. However, all out efforts are being made to mobilize sufficient funds so that the pending dues can be met. Since non-payment is on account of severe liquidity crunch, no disciplinary action is contemplated against any officers of the company.

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