GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3837 ANSWERED ON 12.08.2025

REVIVAL AND MODERNISATION OF HMT WATCH DIVISION

3837. SHRI M K RAGHAVAN:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has any plan to revive and modernise HMT Limited, especially its watch division;
- (b) if so, the details of the steps taken to update HMT's watch designs in line with modern market trends:
- (c) whether any collaborations with private designers or technology firms are being explored to enhance the appeal of HMT watches; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEAVY INDUSTRIES (SHRI BHUPATHIRAJU SRINIVASA VARMA)

(a) to (d): No. Operations of HMT Watches Limited (HMTWL), a subsidiary of HMT Ltd, were closed in pursuance of the approval of the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA), in its meeting held on 06.01.2016. However, HMT Limited is pursing limited assembly and sales of watches on a limited scale based on in-house design of dials by using the stocks / inventory of watches parts and spares transferred to it from the HMT Watches Limited at the time of closure of its operations.
