

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3240
FOR ANSWER ON 10/08/2015**

PUBLIC PROCUREMENT POLICY

3240. SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the steel plants under the administrative control of the Ministry of Steel have put in place any public procurement policy to procure at least 20 per cent of the annual value of goods and services from the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to implement the public procurement policy in true spirit?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a)&(b): Yes, Madam. There are two steel manufacturing Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) under Ministry of Steel namely Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) and Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL) and they are implementing Public Procurement Policy for Micro & Small Enterprises (MSEs) Order, 2012 notified under MSME Act, 2006.

(c) As per information provided by Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, some of the steps taken by the Government to implement the Public Procurement Policy in true spirit are as under:

- i. Organising Vendor Development Programmes (VDP).
- ii. Grievance Cell and created web enabled platform for redressal of grievances.
- iii. Penalty provision for CPSEs for non-compliance of Public Procurement Policy.
- iv. One to one meetings with different CPSEs/Railway Board etc.
