## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STEEL

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2528 FOR ANSWER ON 08/08/2022

## AGREEMENT OF RINL WITH APMDC

2528 SHRI V. VIJAYASAI REDDY:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether RINL has entered into an agreement with Andhra Pradesh Mineral Development Corporation (APMDC) to extract iron ore from Kukunoor in West Godavari district, Andhra Pradesh;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of status of clearance from Government; and
- (d) whether the proposals were sent to NITI Aayog for its clearance and, if so, the present status thereof?

## **ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL

(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)

(a)to(c): No, Sir. However, an MoU has been entered between Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Ltd.(RINL) and APMDC on 27.01.2017 for: -

- i) Exploration and exploitation of iron ore in Kukunur Mandal, West Godavari District, A.P.
- ii) Engagement in other areas of development on mutual interest.

Subsequently, RINL has taken up with Geological Survey of India, Southern Region, (GSI-SR), Hyderabad for conducting Geophysical survey for the Kukunnur Block for ascertaining availability of good quality iron ore in the area.

(d) No such proposal has been sent to NITI Aayog for clearance.

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