GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STEEL

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2534 FOR ANSWER ON 20/12/2021

MERGER OF VIZAG STEEL PLANT WITH RINL

2534. SHRI Y. S. CHOWDARY:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government has received any proposal or representation for the merger of Vizag Steel Plant with RINL to make a huge steel conglomerate and to be the leader in the sector;
- (b) if so, the response of Government;
- (c) whether it is a fact that by merger of these steel plants, all will become viable and profit-making and privatization of Vizag Steel Plant can be avoided;
- (d) if so, whether Government will seriously consider the proposal and would set up a task force to work out the details of merger; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(SHRI RAM CHANDRA PRASAD SINGH)

(a)to(e): Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL) is the corporate entity of Vizag Steel Plant (VSP). The decision for strategic disinvestment of RINL has been taken in line with New Public Sector Enterprise (PSE) Policy for Atmanirbhar Bharat notified by the Government. Strategic disinvestment of Government of India's equity will lead to infusion of capital for optimum utilisation, expansion of capacity, infusion of technology and better management practices. This will result in higher production, productivity and expansion of direct and indirect employment opportunities.
