GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3785
ANSWERED ON 11.08.2026

STATUS OF REVIVAL OF HMT UNIT AT KALAMASSERY

3785. SHRI HIBI EDEN:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any concrete steps to revive HMT Ltd., Kalamassery, Kerala;

(b) whether HMT is facing a severe shortage of working capital;

(c) whether the Government is aware that HMT is losing tenders under the Small-Scale Industry (SSI) preference clause, despite being a competitive Central PSU;

(d) whether the Government has any plan to protect HMT's land assets in Kalamassery and use them for new industrial or employment-generating projects in Kerala;

(e) whether the expansion plans include introducing new manufacturing technologies or product lines in the Kalamassery unit; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

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

(a): HMT Limited (HMTL) is the holding company of HMT Group of Companies. It has two Manufacturing Units, Food Processing Machinery Unit, Aurangabad and Auxiliary Business Division, Bengaluru. HMT Limited does not have manufacturing Unit at Kalamassery, Kerala, however, one of its two subsidiaries, namely **HMT Machine Tools Limited** has an operational manufacturing unit at Kalamassery, Kerala**.**

(b)&(c): Yes. On account of old plant and machinery, poor productivity, etc., the net worth of HMT Machine Tools Limited has got eroded over the years and is facing severe financial crisis.

(d): The Government has designated appropriate employee(s) of the HMT Ltd and its subsidiaries as Estate Officers vide Statutory Order 222 dated 14.01.2011 under the Public Premises (Eviction of Unauthorised Occupants) Act, 1971.

(e) & (f): HMT Machine Tools Limited, which has several units, including the Kalamassery unit, being a CPSE registered under the Companies Act, operates as per the provisions of the Companies Act and the guidelines issued by the Government of India in respect of CPSEs and takes its appropriate investment decisions as per its operational requirements.

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