### HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES DEPARMENT OF HEAVY INDUSTRY

# RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 199 TO BE ANSWERED ON 24.06.2019

# **Revival of closed PSUs**

#### 199. SHRI RIPUN BORA:

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is aware that two Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) namely Panchgram Paper Mill and Jagiroad Paper Mill of Assam have been closed down;

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government or proposed to be taken to revive above mentioned two PSUs;

(c) details of plans of Government for compensating a large number of employees of the above two PSUs who are struggling for the last four years without getting their salaries; and (d) details of the proposal of Government on the other PSUs of country which are under Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction and proposed to be closed down?

### ANSWER

# THE MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES & PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI ARVIND GANPAT SAWANT)

(a): to (c): Cachar Paper Mill, Panchgram and Nagaon Paper Mill, Jagiroad are mills of Hindustan Paper Corporation Limited (HPC) in Assam, these are presently non-operational. The National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) through an order dated 13.06.2018 directed initiation of Corporate Insolvency Resolution Process (CIRP) under the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC), 2016 against HPC.

Thereafter, as per the provisions of IBC, the Board of Directors of HPC stands suspended and a Resolution Professional (RP) and a Committee of Creditors have been appointed for HPC.

The Chairman and Managing Director, HPC had filed an appeal in the National Company Law Appellate Tribunal (NCLAT) against the aforementioned order dated 13.06.2018 of NCLT, however, the said appeal was dismissed by Appellate Tribunal vide order dated 08.01.2019.

The NCLT, during the hearing of the case on 02.05.2019, has ordered for the liquidation of HPC.

(d) The Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction (BIFR) has been dissolved, all pending cases before BIFR stand abated.

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