

- (b) if so, the details thereof and the responsibilities entrusted to the Committee;
- (c) whether the Committee has submitted its report; and
- (d) if so, the details of action taken so far on the basis of the report?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE) : (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The Insurance Regulatory and Development Authority (IRDA) had constituted a Committee on “Health Insurance for Senior Citizens” under the chairmanship of Shri K. S. Sastry, Ex Chairman, National Housing Bank. The Committee was entrusted, *inter-alia*, with the task of identifying the problems in extending health insurance to the senior citizens without any age limit and at affordable cost. This Committee submitted its report to the IRDA in November, 2007.

(d) On the basis of the recommendations of the Committee the IRDA has issued the following directions:

- i. All insurance companies to have an entry age at least up to 65 years and no exit age limit for renewal of all new health insurance products;
- ii. The health insurance policies shall be ordinarily renewable except on the grounds such as fraud, misrepresentation, etc. and renewal cannot be denied on arbitrary grounds;
- iii. The insurers to devise a mechanism to reward policy holders for early entry and continued renewals;
- iv. Premium charged for health insurance from senior citizens should be fair, justified, transparent and duly disclosed upfront;
- v. Any denial of proposal for health insurance for senior citizens, on any ground should be made in writing with proper justification;
- vi. The insurers to establish a separate grievance channel to address health insurance complaints from senior citizens; and
- vii. To allow portability of health policies to enable the policyholders to switch from one insurer to another without losing the past credit of waiting periods for pre-existing disease with the previous insurer.

#### **Revival of sick PSUs**

\*549. SHRI BHUPENDER YADAV : Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:-

(a) whether a number of sick Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) have either been closed down or are on verge of closure;

- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of PSUs recommended by the Board for Reconstruction of Public Sector Enterprises (BRPSC) for revival till date;
- (d) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government to revive sick units including those under Public Private Partnership (PPP) Model, till date; and
- (e) the number of employees rendered jobless or affected due to the closure or sickness of PSUs during the last three years, PSU-wise?

THE MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL) : (a) and (b) As per information available in the Public Enterprises Survey (2010-11), (2009-10) and (2008-09) that were laid in the Parliament in successive years, only 1 sick Central Public Sector Enterprise (CPSE) namely Brushware Ltd. has been closed during the last three years.

(c) The Board for Reconstruction of Public Sector Enterprises (BRPSE) has made recommendations in respect of 62 CPSEs (59 CPSEs have been recommended for 'revival' and 3 for 'closure').

(d) Various measures are taken to revive the sick and loss making CPSEs. These include financial restructuring, business restructuring, manpower rationalization, technological upgradation and cost reduction. As part of business restructuring, Joint Ventures (JVs) with private sector and PPP model have also been recommended for revival of sick & loss making CPSEs.

(e) Thirteen employees were rendered job less in the case of Brushware Ltd., which was closed. Table below gives the number of sick CPSEs with nil or negative net worth, and the number of employees (affected) in these CPSEs.

Year	No. of sick CPSEs	Number of Employees
2008-09	51	218429
2009-10	53	225380
2010-11	49	210801

PSU-wise list of these CPSEs alongwith their employees are given in Statement-I, II and III.

**Statement - I***Employment in CPSEs having nil or negative net worth for the year 2010-11*

Sl. No.	Name of the CPSEs	Employment (in numbers)
1	2	3
1	Air India Air Transport Services Ltd.	1683
2	Air India Charters Ltd.	NA
3	Air India Ltd.	28085
4	Airline Allied Services Ltd.	648
5	Andaman & Nicobar Isl. Forest & Plant. Dev. Corp. Ltd.	1362
6	Assam Ashok Hotel Corpn. Ltd.	75
7	Bharat Coking Coal Ltd.	67934
8	Bharat Heavy Plate & Vessels Ltd.	1109
9	Bharat Wagon & Engg. Co. Ltd.	860
10	Biecco Lawrie Ltd.	396
11	Birds Jute & Exports Ltd.	4
12	Brahmaputra Valley Fertilizer Corpn. Ltd.	1084
13	British India Corporation Ltd.	2132
14	Cement Corpn. of India Ltd.	990
15	Central Inland Water Transport Corpn. Ltd.	390
16	Eastern Coalfields Ltd.	81128
17	Fertilizer Corpn. of India Ltd.	33
18	Heavy Engineering Corpn. Ltd.	2769
19	Hindustan Antibiotics Ltd.	1174
20	Hindustan Cables Ltd.	2141
21	Hindustan Fertilizer Corpn. Ltd.	23
22	Hindustan Fluorocarbons Limited	154
23	Hindustan Photo Films Manufacturing Co. Ltd.	751
24	Hindustan Shipyard Ltd.	2731

1	2	3
25	Hindustan Steel Works Costn. Ltd.	751
26	Hindustan Vegetable Oils Corpn. Ltd.	119
27	HMT Bearings Ltd.	197
28	HMT Chinar Watches Ltd.	112
29	HMT Machine Tools Ltd.	3652
30	HMT Watches Ltd.	1417
31	IDPL (Tamil Nadu) Ltd.	56
32	Indian Drugs & Pharmaceuticals Ltd.	215
33	J&K Mineral Development Corpn. Ltd.	4
34	Madhya Pradesh Ashok Hotel Corpn. Ltd.	57
35	Madras Fertilizers Ltd.	765
36	Nagaland Pulp & Paper Company Ltd.	270
37	National Jute Manufactures Corporation Ltd.	178
38	National Projects Construction Corpn. Ltd.	1905
39	Nepa Ltd.	1299
40	North Eastern Handicrafts & Handloom Dev. Corpn. Ltd.	110
41	Orissa Drugs & Chemicals Ltd.	71
42	Ranchi Ashok Bihar Hotel Corpn. Ltd.	48
43	Richardson & Cruddas (1972) Ltd.	59
44	Sambhar Salts Ltd.	500
45	Scooters India Ltd.	1012
46	STCL Ltd.	56
47	Triveni Structurals Ltd.	140
48	Tungabhadra Steel Products Ltd.	100
49	Utkal Ashok Hotel Corpn. Ltd.	52
TOTAL		210801

**Statement - II***Employment in CPSEs having nil or negative net worth for the year 2009-10*

Sl. No.	Name of the CPSEs	Employment (in numbers)
1	2	3
1	Air India Air Transport Services Ltd.	1071
2	Air India Charters Ltd.	956
3	Airline Allied Services Ltd.	644
4	Andaman & Nicobar Isl. Forest & Plant. Dev. Corp. Ltd.	1431
5	Assam Ashok Hotel Corpn. Ltd.	74
6	Bharat Coking Coal Ltd.	71838
7	Bharat Heavy Plate & Vessels Ltd.	1250
8	Bharat Wagon & Engg. Co. Ltd.	882
9	Biecco Lawrie Ltd.	406
10	Birds Jute & Exports Ltd.	4
11	Brahmaputra Valley Fertilizer Corpn. Ltd.	1157
12	British India Corporation Ltd.	2300
13	Burn Standard Company Ltd.	1398
14	Cement Corpn. of India Ltd.	1079
15	Central Inland Water Transport Corpn. Ltd.	412
16	Eastern Coalfields Ltd.	85617
17	Fertilizer Corpn. of India Ltd.	38
18	Heavy Engineering Corpn. Ltd.	2870
19	Hindustan Antibiotics Ltd.	1201
20	Hindustan Cables Ltd.	2389
21	Hindustan Fertilizer Corpn. Ltd.	27
22	Hindustan Fluorocarbons Limited	156
23	Hindustan Photo Films Manufacturing Co. Ltd.	820
24	Hindustan Shipyard Ltd.	2800

1	2	3
25	Hindustan Steel Works Costn. Ltd.	1007
26	Hindustan Vegetable Oils Corpn. Ltd.	119
27	HMT Bearings Ltd.	234
28	HMT Chinara Watches Ltd.	147
29	HMT Machine Tools Ltd.	3808
30	HMT Watches Ltd.	1420
31	Hooghly Dock and Port Engineers Ltd.	602
32	IDPL (Tamil Nadu) Ltd.	56
33	Indian Drugs & Pharmaceuticals Ltd.	218
34	J & K Mineral Development Corpn. Ltd.	4
35	Madhya Pradesh Ashok Hotel Corpn. Ltd.	56
36	Madras Fertilizers Ltd.	802
37	Nagaland Pulp & Paper Company Ltd.	317
38	National Aviation Co. of India Ltd.	29630
39	National Film Dev. Corpn. Ltd.	138
40	National Jute Manufactures Corporation Ltd.	216
41	National Projects Construction Corpn. Ltd.	1918
42	Nepa Ltd.	1355
43	North Eastern Handicrafts & Handloom Dev. Corpn. Ltd.	116
44	Orissa Drugs & Chemicals Ltd.	73
45	Ranchi Ashok Bihar Hotel Corpn. Ltd.	48
46	Richardson & Cruddas (1972) Ltd.	60
47	Sambhar Salts Ltd.	473
48	Scooters India Ltd.	1205
49	STCL Ltd.	56
50	Triveni Structurals Ltd.	142
51	Tungabhadra Steel Products Ltd.	101
52	Tyre Corporation of India Ltd.	187
53	Utkal Ashok Hotel Corpn. Ltd.	52
TOTAL		225380

**Statement - III***Employment in CPSEs having nil or negative net worth for the year 2008-09*

Sl. No.	Name of the CPSEs	Employment (in numbers)
1	2	3
1	Air India Air Transport Services Ltd.	1340
2	Air India Charters Ltd.	170
3	Airline Allied Services Ltd.	692
4	Andaman & Nicobar ISL. Forest & Plant. Dev. Corp. Ltd.	1508
5	Assam Ashok Hotel Corpn. Ltd.	74
6	Bharat Coking Coal Ltd.	76369
7	Bharat Heavy Plate & Vessels Ltd.	1370
8	Bharat Refractories Ltd.	1587
9	Biecco Lawrie Ltd.	418
10	Birds Jute & Exports Ltd.	4
11	Brahmaputra Valley Fertilizer Corpn. Ltd.	1255
12	British India Corporation Ltd.	2566
13	Burn Standard Company Ltd.	1455
14	Cement Corpn. of India Ltd.	1159
15	Central Inland Water Transport Corpn. Ltd.	423
16	Eastern Coalfields Ltd.	90470
17	Fertilizer Corpn. of India Ltd.	46
18	Heavy Engineering Corpn. Ltd.	2868
19	Hindustan Antibiotics Ltd.	1222
20	Hindustan Cables Ltd.	2909
21	Hindustan Fertilizer Corpn. Ltd.	31
22	Hindustan Fluorocarbons Limited	159
23	Hindustan Photo Films Manufacturing Co. Ltd.	812
24	Hindustan Shipyard Ltd.	3424

1	2	3
25	Hindustan Steel Works Costn. Ltd.	1248
26	Hindustan Vegetable Oils Corpn. Ltd.	121
27	HMT Bearings Ltd.	263
28	HMT Chinar Watches Ltd.	228
29	HMT Watches Ltd.	2050
30	Hooghly Dock and Port Engineers Ltd.	605
31	ITI Ltd.	12556
32	IDPL (Tamil Nadu) Ltd.	57
33	Indian Drugs & Pharmaceuticals Ltd. .	335
34	J &K Mineral Development Corpn. Ltd.	5
35	Madhya Pradesh Ashok Hotel Corpn. Ltd.	114
36	Madras Fertilizers Ltd.	847
37	Nagaland Pulp & Paper Company Ltd.	297
38	National Film Dev. Corpn. Ltd.	189
39	National Jute Manufactures Corporation Ltd.	1144
40	National Projects Construction Corpn. Ltd.	2035
41	Nepa Ltd. North Eastern Handicrafts & Handloom	1271
42	Dev. Corpn. Ltd.	119
43	Orissa Drugs & Chemicals Ltd.	79
44	Ranchi Ashok Bihar Hotel Corpn. Ltd.	48
45	Richardson & Cruddas (1972) Ltd.	65
46	Sambhar Salts Ltd.	493
47	Scooters India Ltd.	1366
48	Triveni Structurals Ltd.	196
49	Tungabhadra Steel Products Ltd.	104
50	Tyre Corporation of India Ltd.	209
51	Utkal Ashok Hotel Corpn. Ltd.	54
TOTAL		218429