## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STEEL

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1097 FOR ANSWER ON 04/03/2015

## REOPENING OF GUA IRON ORE MINES IN JHARKHAND

1097. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Gua iron ore mines situated in West Singhbhum district of Jharkhand have been closed since 15 June, 2011 for want of environmental and forest clearances from Government:
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the status of these iron ore mines as of now; and
- (d) the measures being taken by Government in reopening of the said mines?

## **ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES

(SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI)

(a)to(d): Operations in Gua Iron Ore Mines have been closed due to various reasons including expiry of working permission given by Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change and orders of the State Government. Presently, on the intervention of Jharkhand High Court, operations in these mines are going on.

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