GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STEEL

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.120 FOR ANSWER ON 22/11/2012

FUNDS EARMARKED FOR SCSP/TSP

120. SHRI AMBETH RAJAN:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the funds earmarked for Scheduled Caste Sub Plan (SCSP) and Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) during last five financial years as per the guidelines issued by Planning Commission *vide* its letter dated 26 December, 2006;
- (b) if no, such funds were earmarked during the last five years, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether separate Budget Head has been opened for SCSP and TSP for financial year 2011-12 as mandated by the Department of Expenditure; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA)

(a)to(d): Ministry of Steel has been classified under 'No Obligation' category in the 'Revised Guidelines for Implementation of Scheduled Castes Sub-Plan & Tribal Sub-Plan by Central Ministry/Departments' issued by Planning Commission on 25th November, 2010. As this Ministry's plan budget is relatively small and is related to scheme for promotion of research and development in iron and steel sector, no amount has been earmarked for Scheduled Caste Sub Plan (SCSP) and Tribal Sub Plan (TSP) during the last five years. Separate Budget Head will be opened when funds would be earmarked for the purpose.
