

**Professionalisation of Boards of Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) - recommendations of Department related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Industry reg.**

The undersigned is directed to state that in its 221st Report on Action Taken Report on its 216th Report of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Industry had made further recommendation on the subject mentioned above, which is reproduced as under.

"The Committee had taken into account the fact that the Government had laid down certain criteria for the appointment of non-official Directors on the Boards of CPSEs. But what the Committee would like to reiterate is that if persons from the categories of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, and OBC and women categories come forward with the above mentioned criteria, they should be given preference. There by the Committee wants to re-emphasise the need for representation of these categories in the Board of CPSEs."

3. The above recommendation was considered by the Department of Public Enterprises (DPE) and it has been decided to communicate the concern expressed by the Committee to all the administrative Ministries/ Departments, since the proposals for appointment of non-official Directors on the Boards of CPSEs are initiated by the administrative Ministries/Departments.

4. All Administrative Ministries/Departments are requested to take note of the above recommendation of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Industry for further necessary action in this regard.