

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1348
FOR ANSWER ON 11/02/2019

SPONGE IRON PLANTS

1348. SHRI LAKHAN LAL SAHU:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of sponge iron plants in public and private sector operational in the country at present, State/UT-wise including Chhattisgarh;
- (b) the details of employment avenue generated by these plants;
- (c) whether any provision has been made to provide employment to local people in the said plants; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR STEEL

(SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI)

- (a) The number of sponge iron plants in public and private sector in the country including Chhattisgarh during F.Y. 2017-18 is as following:-

State	No. of Units
Jharkhand	66
Odisha	79
West Bengal	34
Chhattisgarh	60
Goa	3
Maharashtra	7
Gujarat	4
Andhra Pradesh	7
Karnataka	33
Tamil Nadu	6
Telangana	12
Total Private Sector	311
Public Sector	
Telangana	1
Total : Public+Private	312

- (b) As per survey conducted by the Joint Plant Committee (JPC), total employment in the domestic sponge iron market stood at 1,15,927.

(c)&(d): Specific decision on recruitment of employees in private steel sector is taken by individual steel companies / investors on the basis of their requirement. In the case of CPSEs, recruitment is based on Government Guidelines.
