

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3568
FOR ANSWER ON 15/07/2019

SUPPLY OF STEEL TO RAILWAYS

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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of production and supply of various products by the Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) to the Railways during the last three years;
- (b) whether SAIL has entered into any agreement with the Railways for production of special steel for rail tracks and coaches and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether SAIL plans to set up a coach manufacturing plant in a joint venture with the Indian Railways and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the details of progress made in this regard so far?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

- (a) The details of production and supply of various products by Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) to the Railways during last three years has been as under:-

Total Production:

(in '000 ton)

FINANCIAL YEAR	RAILS (UTS 90)	WHEELS	AXLES	FLAT PRODUCTS	OTHER LONG PRODUCTS	STAINLESS STEEL	ALLOY STEEL
2016-17	649.3	24.7	2.4	7394	5566	111	109
2017-18	902.7	23.8	2.0	7480	5474	85	106
2018-19	985.0	20.8	2.4	7903	5934	99	126

Supply to Railways:

(in '000 ton)

FINANCIAL YEAR	RAILS (UTS 90)	WHEELS	AXLES	FLAT PRODUCTS	OTHER LONG PRODUCTS	STAINLESS STEEL	ALLOY STEEL
2016-17	620	23.4	2.3	64.7	9.4	25.1	26.7
2017-18	874	24.3	2	64.5	11	10.6	22.4
2018-19	945	21.2	2.4	54.2	8.1	6.4	30.9

- (b) SAIL and Indian Railways signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on 1st February, 2003 for supply of Rails. The main features of the MoU are mentioned below:-

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- Railways commit to buy from SAIL its total requirement of long rails/ long rail panels, as also the balance of its normal requirements in other lengths like 13m, 26m, etc. subject to annual review within the overall policies of Govt. of India.
 - SAIL/BSP to meet the Railways' requirement as per mutually agreed delivery schedule
 - The joint pricing committee of Indian Railways and SAIL to recommend the price of rails.
 - Railways to make all efforts to arrange for regular and unhindered transportation of the long rails/long welded panels from Bhilai Steel Plant to enable SAIL to meet its supply commitments.
- (c) No Sir.
- (d) Does not arise.
