

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF STEEL

RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.*398
FOR ANSWER ON 04/04/2018

**HOT METAL PRODUCTION TARGET AS PER SAIL's CORPORATE
PLAN**

*398. SHRI SANJAY SINGH:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) when will Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) achieve 23.6 MT hot metal production, which was envisaged ten years ago in 2007-08 as per SAIL's Corporate Plan 2012, and which was to be completed by 2012 year end given the fact that SAIL's hot metal production is still lying at just above 15.0 MT since 2007-08; and

(b) whether SAIL lost the market opportunity between 2010 and 2015 due to delay in completion of Modernisation and Expansion Plan (MEP), given the fact that dumping, global over supply and declining demand were maximum during the years 2015, 2016 and 2017?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(SHRI CHAUDHARY BIRENDER SINGH)

(a)&(b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) AND (B) OF THE RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *398 FOR ANSWER ON 04/04/2018 TABLED BY SHRI SANJAY SINGH, MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT REGARDING “HOT METAL PRODUCTION TARGET AS PER SAIL'S CORPORATE PLAN”

(a) Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) had undertaken modernization and expansion of its five integrated steel plants at Bhilai (Chhatisgarh), Bokaro (Jharkhand), Rourkela (Odisha), Durgapur (West Bengal) & Burnpur (West Bengal) and Special Steel Plant at Salem (Tamil Nadu). It envisages increase in hot metal production capacity from 13.82 Million tonnes per annum (Mtpa) before expansion to 23.46 Mtpa after expansion.

The Modernisation and Expansion at Rourkela, Burnpur, Durgapur, Bokaro and Salem Steel Plants has been completed and various facilities are under operation, stabilization & ramp up. Two new large Blast Furnaces, one each at Rourkela and IISCO Burnpur, with associated downstream facilities have been commissioned and accordingly, SAIL added about 5.6 Mtpa to its hot metal capacity. At Bhilai Steel Plant, the new Blast Furnace-8 has been blown-in on 02.02.18 and all the facilities except Ore Handling Plant Part-B, Fuel Flux Crushing & Screening Facilities and Steel Melting Shop No.3 have been completed. The ramp up of production from new facilities in integrated steel plants takes one to two years, depending upon technology involved.

(b) The actual work on major projects under Modernisation and Expansion Plan of SAIL started in 2008-2009 and was to be completed in about 5 years time. The ramp up of production from new facilities takes one to two years. Government has taken several measures since 2015 to provide relief to the domestic industry against dumping. The sales of total saleable steel from SAIL's plants have registered a continuous growth of 3.5%, 8.1% and 7.6% (provisional) during 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18 respectively as compared to the corresponding period last year.
