

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF STEEL
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2545
FOR ANSWER ON 21.03.2025

USE OF SAIL STEEL FOR PERMANENT INFRASTRUCTURE AT PRAYAGRAJ

2545. SHRI NARESH BANSAL:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has contemplated to use Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) steel for permanent infrastructure at Prayagraj to reduce the need for temporary structures in future Maha Kumbh Mela;

(b) the way this initiative will contribute to the Ministry's long-term objectives of promoting India's steel sector;

(c) whether any measures are being taken to ensure sustainability in the use of steel for Maha Kumbh Mela structures; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE (SHRI BHUPATHIRAJU SRINIVASA VARMA)
MINISTRY OF STEEL

(a)to(d) : Steel is a de-regulated sector and the role of the Government is to facilitate the Steel Industry by laying down the policy guidelines and establishing the institutional mechanism/structure for creating conducive environment for fostering steel production, consumption and improving efficiency of the steel sector in the country. The Ministry of Steel has no role in procurement decisions of the private or state government entities.

Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) has a dedicated marketing set-up responsible for marketing of carbon, alloy and special steel products produced by the steel plants of SAIL.

SAIL has supplied approximately 45,000 tonnes of steel for the Mahakumbh Mela 2025, held in Prayagraj mostly to the Public Works Department (PWD), Uttar Pradesh State Bridges Corporation, Electricity Board and their suppliers.
