

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF STEEL

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1280
FOR ANSWER ON 21/09/2020

**ACCELERATED DEVELOPMENT OF EASTERN INDIA THROUGH
PURVODAYA SCHEME**

1280. DR. AMAR PATNAIK:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the objectives that Government intends to achieve through the Purvodaya: Accelerated development of Eastern Region Scheme;
- (b) the details of financial investment required for the aforementioned scheme; and
- (c) the number of jobs which are expected to be created by these steel hubs?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a)to(c): The Ministry of Steel has launched 'Purvodaya' initiative, encompassing development of Integrated Steel Hubs in Odisha, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh, West Bengal and Andhra Pradesh with a view to focus on development of the Eastern region. Its objective is to enable swift capacity addition and to improve overall competitiveness of steel producers both in terms of cost and quality. To achieve this objective, the Integrated Steel Hubs would focus on three key areas: (i) setting up of greenfield and brownfield steel plants, (ii) development of steel clusters near Integrated Steel Plants as well as demand centres and (iii) transformation of logistics and utilities infrastructure. The initiative would not only encourage and attract investments in these three key areas but would also help the country to become Atmanirbhar in value added steel and capital goods and generate employment in the Eastern region of the country.
