

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF STEEL

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1917**  
FOR ANSWER ON 04/12/2019

**MSMEs OF BOKARO FACING CLOSURE DUE TO DELAYED  
PAYMENTS BY SAIL**

1917. SHRI DHIRAJ PRASAD SAHU:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that MSMEs of Bokaro is facing closure due to delayed payments by SAIL, BSL;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, case-wise;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that because of inordinate delays in issuing Goods Receipt Note (GRN)/acceptance on the part of BSL against materials supplied, MSMEs were unable to raise bills; and
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor and the remedial steps taken by Government?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a)&(b): Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) has informed that payment to MSMEs by Bokaro Steel Plant is not delayed. It is made as per the norms / agreed terms and conditions with the MSME after due verification of Bills raised by the MSME concerned along with requisite documents.

(c)&(d): SAIL has further informed that Good Receipt Notes (GRNs) / acceptance on the part of Bokaro Steel Plant against materials supplied are issued after due inspection of the material supplied, subject to fulfillment of terms as per Purchase Order. Steps have been taken to streamline and expedite the inspection process and cut down on inspection time.

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