

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF STEEL

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2606**  
FOR ANSWER ON 15/12/2011

**SETTING UP OF STEEL PLANT IN BIHAR**

2606. SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that a decision to set up a steel plant unit in Gaya district of Bihar was taken;
- (b) whether the Department of Steel had acquired 75 acres of land also at Atu village of Gaya district for steel plant; and
- (c) if so, the action taken for setting up the steel plant and by when the steel plant is likely to be set up?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. The "in-principle" approval for setting up of a steel processing unit (SPU) at district Gaya in Bihar was accorded by Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) Board in June, 2008. SAIL has acquired 27.3 acres of agricultural land in November, 2008, for the steel processing unit (SPU) at Village – Aru situated in Wazirganj block of Gaya district.

(c) Soil investigation and site survey work has been completed. The clearance from Govt. of Bihar for change of land use i.e. from Agricultural land (at present) to Industrial land is awaited. The further course of action for the project will follow once the permission for change of land use is accorded by the State Government.

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