GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STEEL

RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.479 FOR ANSWER ON 05/02/2020

ACCIDENTS IN BHILAI AND BOKARO STEEL PLANTS

479. SHRI RAM VICHAR NETAM:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that accidents continuously have been increasing in the Bhilai and Bokaro steel plants during the last one year, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether it is a fact that huge losses on account of the said accidents have been incurred on these plants and the production has also got affected, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the delay in modernisation and expansion of plants are the main reasons behind these accidents; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by Government in this regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a)&(b): The number of incidents of accidents (Fatal plus Reportable) in Bhilai Steel Plant (BSP) and Bokaro Steel Plant (BSL) are as under:-

Plant/ Unit	2018-19	2019-20 (Till December'19)
Bhilai Steel Plant	7	6
Bokaro Steel Plant	2	2

As informed by SAIL, there has been no production loss on account of these incidents of accidents in the last one year.

(c)&(d): No, Sir. Delay in modernization and expansion of plants is not the main reason behind these incidence of accidents. Ministry of Steel attaches utmost importance to safety and has finalized 25 safety guidelines in consultations with stakeholders. This will ensure that safe practices are adopted in all manufacturing units, large and small, of iron and steel.
