

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF STEEL

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FOR ANSWER ON 16/08/2012

STATUS OF CAPACITY UTILISATION OF STEEL PLANT

738. SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the status of capacity utilisation of the steel plants in the country since 2009;
- (b) the reasons for under achievement;
- (c) how many plants are non-functional and the reasons thereof; and
- (d) Government's proposal to augment the steel production in the country?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA)

(a)&(b): The status of capacity utilization of crude steel in SAIL and RINL since 2009 is as given below:-

Figures in percent

Year	SAIL	RINL
2009-10	105	114
2010-11	107	115
2011-12	104	111

The status of capacity utilization of private sector steel plants is not maintained by Ministry of Steel.

(c)&(d): Steel is a deregulated sector, hence, no information is available about non-functional private sector steel plants. The detailed strategy regarding physical and financial matters of the steel projects are decided by the individual investors themselves on the basis of commercial prudence. The Government promotes/encourages growth of steel industry through suitable policy measures. In order to promote the domestic steel industry, the Government has framed the National Steel Policy and constituted an Inter Ministerial Group (IMG) to monitor and coordinate the issues concerning major steel investments in the country related to infrastructure, raw material supply, environmental clearance and other related constraints. Public Sector Undertakings like Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) and Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL) have already launched massive expansion/modernization programmes to augment steel production capacity and adopt modern technology which is energy efficient, cost effective and environment friendly.
