

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINES AND MINERALS
LOK SABHA**

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EXPANSION PLAN FOR NALCO
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Will the Minister of MINES AND MINERALS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have any expansion plan for National Aluminium Company Limited (NALCO);
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the details of additional investment proposed to be made in the expansion of NALCO?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS, SPORTS AND MINES (SHRI SUKHDEV SINGH DHINDSA)

(a), (b), & (c): Government have approved expansion of the capacity of NALCO's Bauxite Mines from 2.4 Million Tonne Per Year (MTPY) to 4.8 MTPY and that of their Alumina Refinery at Damanjodi in Orissa from 0.8 MTPY to 1.575 MTPY by investing Rs. 1665 Crores (June 1996 price level) in December 1996. The project is to be implemented in 51 months time from the date of Government approval. The Government have also approved expansion of the capacity of NALCO's Aluminium Smelter at Angul, Orissa from 230000 TPY to 345000 TPY and that of the Captive Power Plant from 720 MW to 840 MW by investing Rs. 2062 Crores (June 1997 price level) in February 1998. The project is to be implemented in 51 months time from the date of Government approval.