

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3463
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MERGER OF MEL WITH SAIL
Mohite Shri Subodh

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to install new furnace worth Rs.75 crore at Maharashtra Elektros melt Limited (MEL);
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the progress made in this regard so far;
- (d) whether the Government proposes to merge MEL with Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL); and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF CHEMICALS & FERTILISERS AND MINISTER OF STEEL(SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN)

- (a) & (b): Yes, Sir. There is a proposal to install 1 No.33 MVA Submerged Arc Furnace at Maharashtra Elektros melt Limited (MEL) to produce silico manganese.
- (c) The proposal is being examined and will be taken up depending upon techno-economic viability.
- (d) No, Sir.
- (e) Does not arise in view of (d), above.