

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
STEEL  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5491  
ANSWERED ON:02.05.2005  
IRREGULARITIES IN PURCHASES MADE BY SAIL  
Badiga Shri Ramakrishna

**Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether some irregularities were reported relating to spot purchases made by Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) between April and August, 2004 in the US markets;
- (b) if so, whether any inquiry has been conducted in this regard;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the action taken against the officials found guilty if any?

**Answer**

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

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) to (d): The inquiry is in progress.