

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:277
ANSWERED ON:12.12.2005
PRODUCTION OF STEEL
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the production of steel and other related items of the Steel Authority of India (SAIL) and its subsidiary companies has increased recently;
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the amount of profit earned by each subsidiary company during the last year and the current year;
- (c) whether a number of accidents have taken place in each plant of SAIL particularly in Bokaro Steel Plant during the above period;
- (d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the preventive measures taken / proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard ?

Answer

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

(a)to(e): A statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (E) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.277 TO BE ANSWERED ON 12.12.2005 TABLED BY S/SHRI RAJEN GOHAIN AND HEMLAL MURMU, MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT, REGARDING PRODUCTION OF STEEL

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. Production as well as profit before tax of Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) and its subsidiary companies is given below:

Production Performance

(Unit : `000 Tonnes)

Plant/Unit/Product	H-1 (2005-06)	H-I (2004-05)	2004-05
Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL)			
Saleable Steel	5557	5020	11031
Pig Iron	172	60	168
Indian Iron & Steel Company Limited (IISCO)			
Saleable Steel	129	124	274
Pig Iron	122	52	182
Maharashtra Elektros melt Limited (MEL)			
High Carbon Ferro Manganese	30.0	33.4	65.2
Silico Manganese	22.6	12.3	33.1
Medium Carbon Ferro Manganese	1.15	0.95	2.2

Financial Performance

(Rupees in crore)

Plant/Unit	Profit Before Tax (PBT)	
H-I (2005-06)	H-I (2004-05)	2004-05

Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) 3408 3028 9365
Indian Iron & Steel Company Limited (IISCO) 3.60 90.46 46.59
Maharashtra Elektros melt Limited (MEL) 15.47 36.03 65.13

(c)&(d): The number of fatal accidents in SAIL plants during the last two years (current & previous) is given below:

Plant	2004	2005 (till October)
	Fatal Accidents	Fatal Accidents
Bhilai Steel Plant	1	3
Bokaro Steel Plant	3	9
Durgapur Steel Plant	3	3
Rourkela Steel Plant	3	3
Visvesvaraya Iron & Steel Plant	0	0
Alloy Steels Plant	0	0
Salem Steel Plant	0	0
Indian Iron & Steel Co. Ltd.	1	2

Following are the major causes attributed to accidents:

- Rail / Road movement
- Fall from height
- Hit/ pressed /getting caught by objects or machines
- Burns and Explosions
- Gas poisoning
- Suffocation / Buried in mines
- Electrocution

(e) The measures taken to obviate the occurrence of accidents in future are given below :-

1. Mass communication on safety in all the Plants and imparting safety training to employees.
2. Safety promotional measures like Suraksha Mela, Zero Accident Month, Inter-departmental safety competitions.
3. Any violation of safety norms are identified and highlighted for future safety.
4. Ensuring safety of employees of contractors by on-the-job training and strict supervision.
5. Encouraging use of personnel protective equipment including fire retardant dress.
6. Regular Inspection of Plant & Machinery to ensure safety.
7. Safety Audit of all hazardous departments in steel plants.
8. Round the clock monitoring of capital repairs.

9. Government of India appointed a three-member committee headed by Shri M.B. Kaushal, Former Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India to look into the safety aspects in detail. Action is being taken to implement the recommendations of the committee to further strengthen the safety systems.