

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
STEEL  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2784  
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APPROVAL FOR LIQUID STEEL CAPACITY  
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**Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has cleared long pending proposals of Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited to double the liquid steel capacity;
- (b) if so, the details thereof ?
- (c) the reasons for delay in clearing the expansion project; and
- (d) the sources from which funds are proposed to be mobilised therefore?

**Answer**

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

(a)to(d): Yes, Sir. The Government has approved the expansion plan of Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Ltd at an estimated revised cost of Rs. 8692 crores (base June 2005 prices) for increasing its liquid steel capacity from 3 million tonnes to 6.3 million tonnes by 2008-09 with debt equity ratio of 1:1. The entire capital cost of the expansion plan is proposed to be met from its internal resources and partly by borrowing from financial institutions/banks. The proposal which was received in January 2005 was approved by the Government on 28th October, 2005 after due consultations and obtaining the concurrence of various Ministries/Organizations of the Government as per the laid down procedure.