

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA**

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EXPANSION OF VISHAKHAPATNAM STEEL PLANT
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has cleared the scheme for expansion of Vishakhapatnam Steel Plant (VSP); and
- (b) if so, the details thereof including the expenditure likely to be incurred thereon?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): 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.