

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
STEEL  
LOK SABHA**

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CAPTIVE IRON ORE MINES  
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**Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether steel plants in the country have captive iron ore mines;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, plant-wise;
- (c) whether there is any proposal to allot captive mines to private sector steel companies; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (DR. AKHILESH DAS)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. The Steel Authority of India Ltd.(SAIL), a PSU under the Ministry of Steel, is operating nine iron ore mines in the States of Chhattisgarh, Orissa and Jharkhand. These mines meet the requirement of SAIL's steel plants located at Bhilai, Durgapur, Bokaro, Rourkela and Burnpur. The mines in Jharkhand and Orissa meet the requirement of SAIL's steel plants in eastern sector. The mines in Chhattisgarh meet the requirement of Bhilai Steel Plant. The details of these mines are as under:

S.No. States Mines

1. Chhattisgarh Rajhara Group of Mines  
Dalli Group of Mines
2. Jharkhand Kiriburu  
Meghataburu  
Gua  
Chiria (Manoharpur)
3. Orissa Barsua  
Kalta  
Bolani

Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL), another steel making PSU under the Ministry of Steel does not have any captive iron ore mines.

The Ministry of Steel does not monitor data with regard to captive iron ore mines of private sector steel plants.

(c)&(d): Once a captive mine is allotted to a steel producing company for a fixed tenure, it cannot be allotted to another company for the duration of this tenure.