

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF STEEL PLANT
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of steel plants in the country in the public, private and joint sector at present, State-wise;
- (b) whether the Government propose to set up more plants in the country;
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the sites selected for the establishment of those steel plants, State-wise;
- (d) the capacity and employment generation potential of those steel plants; and
- (e) if not, other measures being taken by the Government to meet the increasing demand of steel in indigenous market?

Answer

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

(a) State-wise, names of all the steel plants in the public sector and major steel plants (with capacity of 5 lakh tonnes per year or above of crude steel) in the country are given below:

S.No.	State	Name of Plant	Sector
1.	Chhatisgarh	Bhilai Steel Plant	Public
2.	West Bengal	(i) Durgapur Steel Plant	-do-
		(ii) Alloy Steel Plant	-do-
		(iii) Indian Iron & Steel Company	-do-
3.	Orissa	Rourkela Steel Plant	-do-
4.	Andhra Pradesh	Visakhapatnam Steel Plant	-do-
5.	Tamilnadu	Salem Steel Plant	-do-
6.	Jharkhand	(i) Bokaro Steel Plant	-do-
		(ii) Tata Iron and Steel Company Ltd.	Private
7.	Karnataka	(i) Visvesvaraya Iron & Steel Plant	Public
		(ii) Jindal Vijayanagar Steel Ltd.	Private
8.	Gujarat	Essar Steel Ltd.	-do-
9.	Maharashtra	Ispat Industries Ltd.	-do-

At present, in the country there is no steel plant in the joint sector.

(b) At present, Government has no proposal to set up any new steel plant in the country.

(c) & (d): Does not arise in view of (b) above.

(e) The Government has taken several steps to increase the production of steel to meet the increasing demand of steel in the indigenous market such as modernisation and expansion of public sector steel plants and adoption of various policy measures to encourage creation of additional steel production capacity in the private sector. Indian steel producers have also taken steps to meet the domestic requirement of steel including upgradation of technology, improvement in productivity, improvement in quality of products and adoption of an appropriate product mix to meet the requirement of the consumers.