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Title: Need to establish a Steel Plant at Bayyaram in Telangana State.

SHRI P. SRINIVASA REDDY (KHAMMAM): The newly carved Telangana State is one of the most backward regions in India. Although this region is backward in all aspects, the Telangana region is rich in several mineral resources. Bayyaram Iron Ore is one such valuable resource, which, if utilized, can appropriately provide a great boost to the development of the newly carved Telangana state. The Bayyaram mines extends over about 1,41,725 acres (56,690 hectares) across Khammam district covering Bayyaram, Garla etc. and some Mandals of Warangal district.

For judicious utilization of these natural resources, a Public Sector Steel Plant may be constructed at Bayyaram so that the valuable ore can be used properly. Bayyaram has several advantages. Coal, which is an important raw material for steel production, is available at Illendu, which is just 24 Km away. Dolomite another important raw material is available at Madharam, about 15 Km from Bayyaram. Water is also necessary for the steel plant, which can be drawn from Pakhalalake or Otteru and Alugeru streams located nearby. While a modern integrated Steel Plant has a captive power plant, any extra power requirement can be met by the KTPS power plant in Palvancha located about 75 Km from Bayyaram. The plant will generate employment to thousands of tribals in Khammam and Warangal districts. It will also fetch thousands of crores of revenue to the government every year.

I, therefore, strongly urge upon the government through this august house to establish a Steel Plant under SAIL or Ispat Nigam Limited under the administrative control of the Ministry of Steel at Bayyaram in Telangana State at the earliest.