

Government etc., depending upon the requirement of coal by various consuming industries in different parts of the country. In accordance with this policy, 4.7 million of coal will be produced in Orissa during 1984-85.

2. The Central Government have recently sanctioned 5 coal projects in Orissa namely Bharatpur Opencast, Bharatpur washery and Jagannath expansion in Talcher coalfields and Belpahar and Lajkura Opencast in Ib Valley coalfields. New projects viz Ananta Opencast and Kalinga Opencast with attached washeries are also being planned. A Master Plan of the Talcher coalfield in Orissa is also being taken up for identifying new projects and infrastructural needs. Coal production in Orissa is expected to go up from 4.7 m t in 1984-85 to about 13 m t. by the end of the Seventh Five Year Plan i.e. 1989-90.

### Capacity utilisation of Steel Plants

\*13. SHRI NARAYAN CHOUBEY : Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND COAL be pleased to state :

(a) the capacity utilisation rate of different plants of Steel Authority of India Limited for the last 5 years ;

(b) the main reasons for the plants not working to full capacity ; and

(c) measures being taken to improve the position ?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL, MINES AND COAL (SHRI VASANT SATHE) :

(a) The capacity utilisation with respect to D.P.R. capacity for saleable steel at all the SAIL Steel Plants during the last five years is given below :—

#### *% Capacity Utilisation*

Product Plant	1979-80	1980-81	1981-82	1982-83	1983-84	1984-85 Target
<b>Saleable Steel</b>						
BS P	87	93	93	94	80	93
DSP	49	48	63	66	49	52
RSP	85	80	89	81	70	77
BSL	43	43	75	78	65	76
SAIL	66	66	81	81	68	76
IISCO	54	65	61	63	55	48
ASP	76	70	87	78	42	93
SSP	—	—	10	21	22	53

(b) and (c), The main factors affecting production were restrictions in the supply of power and poor quality and inadequate availability of indigenous coking coal as well as some technological deficiencies in the Plants. Efforts are being made to improve the supply of power and coking coal of right quality in close cooperation with the supplying organisations. The

steel plants are making efforts to maximise their own limited captive power generation. As a long term measure, additional captive power generating units are being established at Bokaro, Rourkela, Durgapur and Bhilai Steel Plant. The technological deficiencies are being met through modernisation/de-bottlenecking schemes already under consideration,