

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2125  
ANSWERED ON:12.03.2001  
SMELTER PLANT OF NALCO  
ANANTA NAYAK

**Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the proposal for the expansion of the Smelter Plant of NALCO is under the consideration of the Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to clear the proposal; and
- (d) the total amount likely to be invested in the expansion programme?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL)

(a) to (d) Government have already approved the proposal for expansion of the Smelter Plant of NALCO which will raise its capacity from 2,30,000 Tonnes Per Year (TPY) to 3,45,000 TPY at a cost of Rs. 1641.98 crores to be completed by May, 2002. This expansion project is under implementation. There is no fresh proposal for expansion of the Smelter Plant under consideration of the Government.