

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA**

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VRS IN PUBLIC SECTOR STEEL PLANTS
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Voluntary Retirement Scheme (VRS) has been introduced in public sector steel plants;
(b) if so, the number of employees/workers who took VRS since the introduction plant-wise; and
(c) whether any review has been made thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI BRAJA KISHORE TRIPATHY)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. In SAIL the number of employees who have taken retirement under the various Voluntary Retirement Schemes is as follows:

Plant 1986-87 1987-88 1988-89 1989-90 1990-91 1991-92 1992-93 1998-99 99-2000 2001-02 2002-03
(up to
Aug.02)

BSP	1148	2983	832	743	1110	1005	1134	1170	3397	1354	1296
DSP	163	386	295	337	510	340	511	1254	3184	413	466
RSP	188	535	480	603	711	562	605	1201	2619	1251	428
BSL	18	105	77	69	216	93	129	908	1233	1611	650
ASP	6	33	49	83	87	68	90	650	1529	410	407
SSP	0	1	1	1	2	3	5	38	61	69	90
VISP	0	0	0	596	683	334	494	113	187	1000	209
Others	12	71	54	20	148	121	185	641	1407	402	312

TOTAL 1535 4114 1788 2452 3467 2526 3153 5975 13617 6510 3858

@ VISP was a subsidiary of SAIL and merged with SAIL in 1998.
@@ There was no VRS scheme during 2000-01

Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Ltd. has not introduced Voluntary Retirement Scheme in its plant at Vishakhapatnam.

(c) As per the MOU signed with Ministry of Steel, the manpower in SAIL is to be brought to the level of 1,00,000 by 2004-05. The manpower as on 31.10.2002 is approximately 1,41,000 and therefore the thrust on Voluntary Retirement in SAIL continues.