

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA**

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INTEGRATED STEEL PLANT
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to set up integrated steel plants in West Bengal;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the estimated cost of said plants; and
- (d) the sources from where the Government is going to raise funds for the project?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (DR. AKHILESH DAS)

(a)to(d): There is no proposal to set up new integrated steel plants in West Bengal by the Government. However, SAIL has plans to increase the hot metal production from the current level of 0.7 MT to 2.5 MT at IISCO Steel Plant at Burnpur by setting up new Blast Furnace, steel melting shop, casting facilities etc. at an approximate cost of Rs.9,500 crores. Another plan is also under finalization to increase hot metal production from the existing 1.95 MT to about 3.2 MT at Durgapur Steel Plant of SAIL. SAIL will primarily rely on internal resources to raise funds for these projects.