

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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POLLUTION CONTROL DEVICES IN SAIL PLANTS
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the pollution control devices have not been installed in various plants of Steel Authority of India Ltd. (SAIL);
- (b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor;
- (c) the amount spent by SAIL for the installation of environment friendly devices in its plants during the last three years, year-wise, plant-wise;
- (d) whether the workers of SAIL at different units are suffering from several ailments due to non-observance of the minimum environmental norms;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI A. SAI PRATHAP)

(a)&(b): Pollution control devices have been installed in various production units of the SAIL plants.

(c) The amount spent by the SAIL plants for installation of environment friendly devices in the last three years is given in the table below:

[Rs Crores]

Year	BSP	DSP	RSP	BSL	ISP	ASP	SSP	VISP	MEL	SAIL
2007-08	5.54	9.10	12.30	1.53	4.62	0.24	0.04	0	1.07	34.44
2008-09	5.53	0.40	10.27	9.39	6.35	0.2	0	0.45	2.67	35.26
2009-10	1.47	2.39	15.16	18.18	2.76	1.5	0.45	0.63	0.1	42.64

Note: BSP: Bhilai Steel Plant, DSP: Durgapur Steel Plant, RSP: Roukela Steel Plant, BSL: Bokaro Steel Ltd., ISP: IISCO Steel Plant, ASP: Alloy Steel Plant, SSP: Salem Steel Plant, VISP: Visvesvaraya Iron & Steel Plant, MEL: Maharashtra Elektros melt Ltd.

Further, environmental and energy efficient initiatives like rebuilding and cold repair of coke oven batteries, installation of coal dust injection in blast furnaces and energy efficient continuous casting have been taken up at the integrated steel plants during the last three years.

(d)to(f): The air and water pollution parameters are within the prescribed norms and there are no specific reports of workers suffering from ailments due to non-observance of minimum environmental norms.