

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA**

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JOBS TO DISPLACED PERSONS
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government had acquired land for setting up of Salem Steel Plant;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the criteria for providing jobs to the displaced persons;
- (d) the number of legal heirs of the displaced persons to whom the jobs have been provided so far;
- (e) whether a number of persons have not been provided the jobs;
- (f) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (g) whether the Government proposes to provide the jobs to such persons in the Salem Steel Melting Shop on a preferential basis; and
- (h) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): Yes, Madam. The Government of Tamil Nadu had acquired a total of 3973.08 acres of land between 1970 and 1983 in a phased manner for the Salem Steel Project on account of which 3002 families have been displaced.

(c)to(h): Salem Steel Plant of the Steel Authority of India Ltd. being a Central Public Sector Enterprise has to notify the vacancies to the local employment exchange under the Compulsory Notification of Vacancies Act and also publish recruitment notices in the press, whenever any vacancy arises. The candidates can apply against such notification/ advertisement and their candidature is considered for employment, as per the rules of the company and all things being equal, due preference is given to displaced persons in line of the Judgments of the Hon'ble High Court of Madras. A total of 212 of legal heirs of the displaced persons have been provided jobs so far. Being only a specialized steel plant, the Salem Steel Plant set up with Cold Rolling Mill and a Hot Rolling Mill with attendant facilities based on the concept of backward integration has limited employment potential. In view of the constraints on the size of the Plant and the sophisticated nature of technology and facilities installed, there exists no scope for large scale employment.