GOVERNMENT OF INDIA STEEL LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1402 ANSWERED ON:18.11.2010 ADDITIONAL PRODUCTION IN RINL Lagadapati Shri Rajagopal

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the blast furnace in Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL) is likely to be commenced from December, 2010;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the projected additional production by RINL after the commencement of the said blast furnace;
- (d) whether the Government is planning for marketing of its existing and additional products; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

- (a)&(b): The testing, commissioning and integration of various sub-systems of the newly installed Blast Furnace have already commenced. The commercial production is expected to start by the end of 2010-11.
- (c): After the stabilization of the new Blast Furnace the total annual hot metal production capacity of RINL is estimated to go up from 3.4 mt to 6.5 mt.
- (d)&(e): RINL has a wide distribution marketing network for sale of its products comprising various Regional Offices, Branch Sales Offices, Stockyards, District Level Dealers and Retailers all over India. The marketing and sales mechanism of the company is decided as per the requirement.