

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA**

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JOINT VENTURE BETWEEN SAIL AND RITES
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Steel Authority of India Ltd. (SAIL) have entered into an agreement with Rail India Technical and Economic Services (RITES), a subsidiary of the Indian Railways for setting up a unit in Kulti near Asansol in Bardhman district of West Bengal;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of projects under implementation by SAIL, in the country, and amount spent thereon during the current Five Year Plan, State-wise and project-wise?

Answer

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

(a) Yes, Madam.

(b) SAIL and M/s. RITES have entered into a Joint Venture Agreement (JVA) on 14.9.2010 for setting up of a wagon manufacturing facility in Kulti (Asansol), Bardhman District of West Bengal. As per the JVA, wagon manufacturing plant will have a production capacity of 1200 wagons per annum and rehabilitation capacity of 300 wagons per annum.

(c) SAIL has undertaken modernization & expansion plan of its five integrated steel plants at Bhilai, Bokaro, Rourkela, Durgapur and Bumpur and special steel plant at Salem. The details of amount spent during the current five year plan, State-wise and project-wise are given below:

SAIL Plant State Amount spent (Rs in crores)

Bhilai Steel Plant Chhattisgarh 3,701

Rourkela Steel Plant Orissa 4,083

Bokaro Steel Plant Jharkhand 3,279

IISCO Steel Plant West Bengal 9,682

Durgapur Steel Plant West Bengal 463

Salem Steel Plant Tamil Nadu 1,777