

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA**

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SETTING UP OF IRON ORE MINES AND STEEL PLANTS IN M.P.
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether a number of proposals of the Government of Madhya Pradesh, seeking environment and forests related clearances and land acquisition to set up iron ore mines as well as steel plants in the State are lying pending with the Union Government;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Union Government has received any proposal for the setting up of steel plant near iron ore mines located in forest areas of the country;
- (d) if so, whether the Union Government has taken any steps to set up steel plant near iron ore mines in Madhya Pradesh; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

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

(a)&(b): The information is being collected from the State Governments & concerned Ministries and will be laid on the table of the Lok Sabha.

(c)to(e): Steel sector in the country is currently deregulated. Therefore, proposals for setting up of new steel units do not require any approval of the Central Government. The individual investors are free to decide on the location of the plant, subject to other statutory clearances.