GOVERNMENT OF INDIA STEEL LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5057 ANSWERED ON:09.12.2010 CONTRACT LABOURERS IN SAIL Maadam Shri Vikrambhai Arjanbhai

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the total staff strength in Steel Authority of India Ltd. (SAIL), plant-wise;
- (b) whether the contract labourers are also counted in the total staff strength of the SAIL;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether it is a fact that all the contract labourers are not covered under Employees State Insurance Scheme and Employees Provident Fund Scheme;
- (e) if so, the reasons thereof; and
- (f) the action being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a) The manpower strength in the plants of the Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) as on 1.11.2010 is 103130. The plant-wise break up is given as under:

Name of the Plants/Units Manpower

Bhilai Steel Plant (BSP) 31815

Durgapur Steel Plant (DSP) 13271

Rourkela Steel Plant (RSP) 19134

Bokaro Steel Plant (BSL) 22997

IISCO Steel Plant (ISP) 11233

Alloy Steels Plant (ASP) 1777

Visvesvaraya Iron & Steel Plant (VISL) 1528

- (b): No, Madam.
- (c): Does not arise.
- (d)&(e): All Contract Labour engaged through contractors at SAIL Plants are covered under Employees Provident Fund (EPF). All the Contract Labourers are also covered under Employees State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) except at Salem Steel Plant.

Salem Steel Plant is situated in an area where ESIAct has not been made applicable. However, Dr. B R Ambedkar Industrial Labour Co-operative Service Society, which is one of the major contractors of Salem Steel Plant has provided ESI coverage to its members since it has its registered establishment in an area covered by ESI.

(f): Does not arise.