

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
STEEL  
LOK SABHA**

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EXPANSION AND MODERNISATION OF STEEL PLANTS

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**Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) and the Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL) have formulated any new policy for the modernization of its plants;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the total investment/expenditure likely to be incurred on this modernization exercise, plant-wise;
- (d) the details of the total production likely to be increased in the net production after the completion of this modernization exercise, plant-wise; and
- (e) the details of the joint venture being set up by SAIL and POSCO in Odisha?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA)

(a) & (b): Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) has undertaken modernization and expansion at its five integrated steel plants at Bhilai, Bokaro, Rourkela, Durgapur & Bumpur and special plant at Salem to enhance its crude steel production capacity from 12.8 Million Tonne Per Annum (Mtpa) to 21.4 Mtpa in the current phase.

The indicative investment/expenditure in respect of SAIL which is likely to be incurred during the current phase of modernization and expansion is around Rs. 61,870 crore. Besides, a provision of Rs. 10,264 crore has been kept towards investment in existing mines under Raw Material Division (RMD) and development in Rowghat Mine. Similarly, the indicative investment/expenditure in respect of modernisation and expansion of RINL (Visakhapatnam Steel Plant) is likely to be around Rs. 12,000 crore.

(c) & (d): The plant-wise details of present production capacity and likely enhancement as a result of current modernization and expansion and investment/expenditure likely to be incurred are given below:

Plant	Product	Existing Capacity (Mtpa)	Capacity after Investment Expansion (Mtpa)	Indicative Investment (Rs. in Crore)
SAIL Bhilai Steel Plant	Crude Steel	3.93	7.0	17,266
Durgapur Steel Plant	Crude Steel	1.80	2.2	2,875
Rourkela Steel Plant	Crude Steel	1.90	4.2	11,812
Bokaro Steel Plant	Crude Steel	4.36	4.61	6,325
IISCO Steel Plant	Crude Steel	0.50	2.50	16,408
Salem Steel Plant	Crude Steel	0.0	0.18	1,902
RINL Visakhapatnam Steel Plant	Liquid Steel	2.9	6.3	12,000 (Approx.)

(e) At present, no Joint Venture between SAIL and POSCO is envisaged in Odisha.