GOVERNMENT OF INDIA STEEL LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2424 ANSWERED ON:08.12.2014 STEEL PRODUCTION Dubey Shri Nishikant

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the public sector undertakings engaged in the production of steel are facing problems in procuring raw material like ore and coal;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether a large number of land acquisitions and environmental clearance applications for iron ore mines and steel plants are still pending for approval with the Government; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI)

- (a)&(b): SAIL meets its all of its iron ore requirement through captive iron ore mines and about 15-20% coking coal requirement through indigenous sources. RINL is currently getting its 100% iron ore requirement from NMDC at market prices and Coking Coal purchased from imported source.
- (c)&(d): Iron and Steel is in deregulated Sector. Private as well public sector has informed about the land acquisition and environmental clearance issues for iron ore mines and steel plants requiring approval of Government. These issues are facilitated for appropriate action with the concerned authority in Inter Ministerial Group meetings with stakeholders including Government.