

has been effected with Dr. Swaroj Paul, Chairman, Caparo Group, to set up a steel plant in the State. The State Government also have a proposal for participating in a plant to be set up a Consortium consisting of various organisations. The plant will manufacture pig iron and sponge iron in the first phase. Both these plants are proposed to be located in Dubri area near Daitari. There is no proposal for any mini steel plant with State Government assistance.

Upgradation of salem steel plant

1523. SHRI TINDIVANEM G. VENKATRAMAN: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to upgrade Salem Steel Rolling Plant;

(b) if so, by when the proposal is likely to be implemented; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV) : (a) to (c) At present, there is no proposal under consideration of the Government of India to convert Salem Steel Plant into an Integrated Steel Plant. Salem Steel Plant has commissioned its

second cold rolling mill in March, 1991. Government have further sanctioned, in April, 1991, a scheme for setting up of hot rolling facilities in the plant at a cost of over Rs. 425 crores, as a measure of backward integration. Further expansion of the plant will be feasible after production from these additional facilities is fully stabilised

Iron ore mines in Orissa

1524. SHRI CHANDRA MOHAN SINHA : Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state :

(a) whether thorough prospecting has been done by any Government agency in the iron ore mines situated at Badampahar Sulaipat, Gorumohisani and Maharajpur in the District of Mayurbhanj, Orissa; and

(b) if so, what is the quantity of iron ore deposits in each of these mines and what is the average rate of ore extraction per day in these mines?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The quantum of deposits and average rate of production per day as reported by the Indian Bureau of Mines, are given below :

Name of the Mine	Quantity of Iron Ore Deposits	Average rate of Production/day
1. Badampahar Iron Mines	55 lakh tonnes	169 tonnes
2. Sulaipat Iron Mines	30 lakh tonnes	122 tonnes
3. Gorumohisani Iron Mines	65 lakh tonnes	22 tonnes
4. Maharajpur Iron Mines	5 lakh tonnes	3 tonnes

Substandard Construction of Flats in Pitampura, New Delhi

1525. SHRI VIREN J. SHAH : Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a report published in the

'Indian Express' of 11th April, 1992, under the caption "DDA's shoddy construction Pitampura";

(b) if so, whether the resident allottees of DDA flats, Road No. 41, Pitampura New Delhi, have brought to Government's notice the poor and sub-standard construction of flats having no proper drainage