

information in respect of average investment for medium enterprise sector for this period is not available.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

Setting up of Ultra Mega Steel Plants

123. SHRI JAI PRAKASH NARAYAN SINGH: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has appointed an Inter-Ministerial Group (IMG) for setting up of Ultra Mega Steel Plants (UMSP) in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government has examined some recommendations for the setting up of UMSPs; and

(d) if so, by when a final decision on the setting up of UMSPs will be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI A. SAI PRATHAP): (a) and (b) Government has constituted an Inter-Ministerial Group (IMG) to monitor and coordinate issues concerning major steel investments in the country. The Inter Ministerial Group functions under the Chairmanship of Secretary (Steel) with members from various Central Ministries/ Departments, such as Railways, Road Transport and Highways, Shipping, Industrial Policy and Promotion, Mines, Environment and Forest and the concerned State Governments. However, as per the extant policy of the Government, there is no limit regarding the capacity of setting up a steel plant in the country. As a matter of fact, some of the proposed steel units such as Posco India Limited, Arcelor Mittal Limited and JSW Steel Limited have proposed capacity in the range of 10-12 million tonnes per annum.

(c) and (d) Some representations have been received in this Ministry in respect of certain issues concerning setting up of Ultra Mega Steel Plants in the country. These issues are to be considered in the next Inter Ministerial Group meeting.

Private steel plants

†124. SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of private steel plants in India at present;

(b) out of these plants the number of those that are operational and the number of steel plants under construction;

(c) the names and number of plants, State-wise;

(d) whether the people who got displaced due to these plants have been completely rehabilitated; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(e) the nature of complaints against these companies with respect to environmental pollution?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI A. SAI PRATHAP): (a) to (c) Ministry of Steel is monitoring the activities of major private sector integrated steel units in the country. It is also facilitating other small and medium steel units and interacting to these units through registered industry association. The details of major private sector steel plants, with respect to their production capacities, current and projected capacities is given in Statement-I (See below). In addition to this, the statistics of other steel units, as per the survey conducted by Joint Plant Committee is given in Statement-II (See below).

(d) and (e) The information is being collected from the respective State Governments and will be laid on the table of the House.

Statement-I

Details of major private sector steel plants with respect to their production capacities, current and projected capacities

(Crude steel in Million Tonnes)

Sl. No.	Company	Project/State	Present capacity	Proposed capacity by 2019-20
1	2	3	4	5
i.	Tata Steel Ltd.	Jameshpur, Jharkand	6.8	10.0
		Kalinganagar, Orissa	—	6.0
		Bastar, Chhattisgarh	—	5.5
		Saraikela, Jharkhand	—	12.0
ii.	Essar Steel Ltd.	Hazira, Gujarat	4.6	8.5
		Paradeep, Orissa	—	6.0
		Dantewada, Chhattisgarh	—	3.0
		Chaibasa, Jharkhand	—	3.0
iii.	JSW Steel Ltd.	Vijayanagar, Karnataka	3.8	10.0
		Salem, Tamil Nadu	1.0	—
		Salboni, West Bengal	—	10.0
		Nimidih, Jharkhand	—	10.0
iv.	Jindal Steel and Power Ltd.	Raigarh, Chhattisgarh	3.0	6.0

1	2	3	4	5
		Angul, Orissa	—	12.5
		Patratu, Jharkhand	—	8.0
v.	Ispat Industries Ltd.	Dolvi, Maharashtra	3.0	5.4
		Jharkhand	—	2.8
		Karnataka	—	2.8
vi.	POSCO India Pvt. Ltd.	Jagatsinghpur, Orissa	—	12.00
vii.	Arcelor Mittal Ltd.	Keonjhar, Orissa	—	12.00
		Jharkhand	—	12.00

Statement-II

State-wise Distribution of small/medium scale steel units (numbers)

State	Electric Arc Furnace	Induction Furnace	Re- rolling	Wire Drawing	HR Sheet Plates/ Coils	CR Sheets/ Coils	GP/GC Sheets/ Coils
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Chhattisgarh	2	64	127	2	1		
DNH	—	25	3				
Daman	—	14	—				
Goa	1	22	13				
Gujarat	4	62	136	1	2	4	2
Maharashtra	8	73	130	4	3	10	8
Madhya Pradesh	1	19	42	4	—	3	3
TOTAL:	16	279	451	11	6	17	13
Chandigarh	1	3	3	1			
Delhi	—	10	32				
Haryana	3	33	18	1	2	9	
Himachal Pradesh	—	14	4				
Jammu and Kashmir	—	8	11				
Punjab	4	124	359	3	1	4	
Rajasthan	—	33	190	2	—	1	

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Uttar Pradesh	2	130	168	2		4	4
Uttanchal		27	7				
TOTAL:	10	382	792	9	3	18	4
Tamil Nadu		76	114			1	
Pondicherry		29	13				
Karnataka		21	22	2	1	4	1
Kerala	1	41	39				
A.P.		33	55	1		3	
TOTAL:	1	200	243	3	1	8	1
Assam		11	9				1
Bihar		10	12				
Jharkhand	3	24	30	1		1	1
Orissa	2	57	28				
West Bengal	4	43	70			3	2
Meghalaya		14	9				
TOTAL:	9	159	158	1	0	4	4

(Source: Joint Plant Committee)

Rejuvenation programme for pepper in Kerala

125. SHRI K.E. ISMAIL:
SHRI M.P. ACHUTHAN:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has approved a rejuvenation programme for pepper in Kerala to be implemented by the Spices Board; and

(b) if so, the details of the scheme and what is the criteria adopted to identify the eligible planters for the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (PROF. K.V. THOMAS):
(a) and (b) Yes, Madam. Under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of "National Horticulture Mission", the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation has approved a Project for Pepper Development in Idukki District of Kerala to be implemented by Spices Board in close coordination with State Horticulture Mission, Kerala and Directorate of Spices and Arecanut, Kozhikode, Kerala. The project envisages replanting/rejuvenation of senile pepper plantations in