

(d) As part of the advanced technology initiative, in the area of Air- Breathing technology, Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) has successfully conducted the flight testing of its advanced high performance sounding rocket, fitted with passive scramjet engine combustor module.

It is planned to carry out, the flight testing of the active scramjet engine combustor module, fitted to the sounding rocket during 2012-13.

Families displaced for SAIL

2597. SHRI MANGALA KISAN: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the number of families that had been displaced for Steel Authority of India (SAIL) in the past from various States of the country;

(b) the figures of displaced families, State-wise and steel plant-wise;

(c) the number of displaced families that had not been given rehabilitation benefits and rehabilitation employment benefits till date; and

(d) whether Government would consider to give rehabilitation and employment benefits to these left out displaced families?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA): (a) Around 19000 families had been identified as displaced on account of land acquisition for setting up steel plants/mines of the Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL).

(b) The State-wise and steel plant-wise details of the identified displaced families are as under:

SAIL Steel Plants	State	Nos. identified as displaced
Bhilai Steel Plant	Chhattisgarh	5684
Durgapur Steel Plant	West Bengal	-
Rourkela Steel Plant	Orissa	4094
Bokaro Steel Plant	Jharkhand	6019
IISCO Steel Plant	West Bengal	-
Salem Steel Plant	Tamil Nadu	3002
Alloy Steel Plant	West Bengal	-
Visvesvaraya Iron & Steel Plant	Karnataka	-

(c) The requisite amount of compensation on account of acquisition of land has been deposited with the respective State Governments as rehabilitation of displaced persons is a State subject and the land for setting up of SAIL Steel Plants was acquired by respective State Governments.

The details of employment provided by SAIL steel plants at Bhilai, Rourkela, Bokaro and Salem under the displaced persons category over the period is as under :

SAIL Steel Plant	Employment provided under displaced category
Bhilai Steel Plant	4468
Rourkela Steel Plant	6257
Bokaro Steel Plant	16000 (approx)
Salem Steel Plant	214

(d) Employment of displaced persons is being regulated in terms of guidelines which have been upheld by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India whereby other things being equal, displaced persons are considered and given preference for employment.

Supply of iron ore to small scale industries

2598. SHRI DHIRAJ PRASAD SAHU : Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state :

(a) the details of supply of iron ore to small and medium scale industries by the National Mineral Development Corporation (NMDC) during the last three years;

(b) whether the supply of iron ore being made by NMDC to the said industries has been discontinued;

(c) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps being taken by Government to ensure the smooth supply of iron ore to small and medium scale industries?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA): (a) The supply of iron ore by NMDC is not based on a gradation of small and medium scale industries or otherwise. NMDC has been offering iron ore from Bailadila to various Chhattisgarh based Sponge/Pig Iron units based on