THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

Special purpose vehicle for steel industry

- 1181. DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:
- (a) whether Government has any proposal for Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) for steel industry, apart from SPV for Nagarnar Steel Plant in Chhattisgarh;
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) what is the total investment of SPV in Nagarnar Steel Plant with details of production capacity and the time by when it would be rolled out?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Ministry of Steel is facilitating setting up of Special Purpose Vehicles (SPVs) in mineral rich states of Odisha, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand and Karnataka. Nagarnar Steel Plant in Chhattisgarh is being developed by NMDC Ltd. and it is not SPV.

(c) NMDC Steel Limited in Nagarnar, Chhattisgarh is wholly owned by NMDC Ltd. and developed by it with total investment of ₹ 15,525 Cr. The steel plant will have production capacity of 3.0 MTPA with likely date of commissioning as December, 2016.

Per capita consumption of steel in the country

- 1182. SHRI RAM KUMAR KASHYAP: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:
- (a) whether it is a fact that the current per capita consumption of steel in the country is 60 kgs compared to the world average of estimated 222 kgs and if so, the reasons therefor;
 - (b) what is the per capita consumption of steel in the urban and rural areas;
- (c) the details of efforts made by Government to popularise steel consumption; and
 - (d) the steps taken to enhance steel consumption in rural areas?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI): (a) India's per capita consumption of total finished steel stood at 60.3 kg.

as per the provisional figures of 2014-15, as compared to the world average of 219 kg. in 2013, as per the latest data released by World Steel Association. One of the main reasons for higher per capita consumption of steel in developed countries is due to higher level of infrastructure and industrial development, as compared to developing countries.

- (b) Estimated domestic per capita consumption of total finished steel is around 11 kg. for rural India and 170 kg for urban India as per provisional figures of 2014-15.
- (c) and (d) Institute for Steel Development & Growth (INSDAG), an organization promoted by the Ministry of Steel and the major steel producers, is working towards efficient usage of steel in the construction and allied segments. INSDAG has taken up a number of initiatives to popularize steel consumption, specially in rural areas, some of which are given below:-
 - (i) Organized campaigns in rural areas to create awareness on the benefits of steel usage and to promote best practices using reinforcement bars.
 - (ii) Developed designs of model rural houses, grain storage bins, culverts, panchayat halls, community toilets, etc. using steel.
 - (iii) Provided information through publications in regional languages on rural applications of steel.
 - (iv) Provided training for rural youth so as to enable them to set up steel fabrication facilities in their areas.

Accidents in integrated steel plants

- 1183. SHRI TAPAN KUMAR SEN: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:
- (a) the plant-wise and year-wise number of accidents, both fatal and non-fatal in the integrated steel plants both in the public and private sectors during last three years;
- (b) the plant-wise and year-wise, number of workers died and injured in those accidents both regular and under contract; and
 - (c) the details of compensation paid to the affected workers/families?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI): (a) and (b) The details of accidents which occurred in different public sector integrated steel plants of the Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) and Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL) during the last three years are given in the Statement (See below).