

- (b) whether the Ministry is working with Ministry of Finance on the package;
- (c) if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether Government's move comes after similar efforts in the road and power sectors and it comes even as the banking system faces considerable stress from non-performing assets; and
- (e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI): (a) to (e) Indian Steel Associations and Indian Chamber of Commerce have sent representations to Ministry of Steel for working out a suitable comprehensive package to support steel sector. Their representations have been forwarded to Department of Financial Services.

Capacity enhancement of Gua iron ore mines in Jharkhand

1258. DR. PRADEEP KUMAR BALMUCHU: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Gua Iron Ore Mines situated in West Singhbhum district of Jharkhand have been planning to enhance its production capacity;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether any action plan has been envisaged for enhancement of production;
- (d) the quantum of outlay earmarked for inducting new machinery and technology; and
- (e) the details of the targets of production enhancement?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI): (a) to (e) Yes, Sir. Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) has taken up a project to enhance the capacity of the Gua iron ore mine to a level of 10 million tonnes per annum (mtpa) consisting of 1.80 mtpa lumps, 4.2 mtpa fines and 4.0 mtpa pellets to meet the enhanced requirement of steel plants. It has also been decided to setup beneficiation and pelletisation plant facilities. The total envisaged outlay for the project is ₹ 4749 crore. Letter of Award for the main package consisting of crushing plant, downhill conveyor, a beneficiation plant and pellet plant module has been awarded in April, 2014.