LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.*201 FOR ANSWER ON 08/12/2014

PRODUCTION OF RAIL TRACKS BY SAIL

*201. DR. VIRENDRA KUMAR:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the details of production and supply of various products by the Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) to the Railways during the last three years;

(b) whether SAIL has entered into any agreement with the Railways for production of special steel for rail tracks and coaches and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether SAIL plans to set up a coach manufacturing plant in a joint venture with the Indian Railways and if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of progress made in the matter so far?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a)to(d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Lok Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (D) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.*201 FOR ANSWER ON 08/12/2014 TABLED BY DR. VIRENDRA KUMAR, MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT REGARDING PRODUCTION OF RAIL TRACKS BY SAIL.

(a) The details of production and supply of various products by SAIL to the Indian Railways as per the requirement of Indian Railway during the last three years and current year are as given below:-

Product	Unit	Quantity Produced				Quantity supplied to railway			
		2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	Apr- Oct'14	2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	Apr- Ocť14
Rails	Tonnes	8,75,795	8,55,351	7,93,410	4,40,174	6,71,639	7,16,334	6,42,725	3,30,838
Wheels	Numbers	43,831	47,977	57,921	32,590	43,440	47,469	55,631	32,981
Axles	Numbers	6,288	5,879	8,621	5,818	6,431	5,769	8,769	5,741
Structurals	Tonnes	3,99,358	4,49,890	4,49,705	2,19,380	20,099	11,844	9,359	9,467
Plates/ HR Sheet/ CR Sheet/Coil	Tonnes	61,71,880	62,99,636	63,85,490	37,06,102	131,991	117,743	99,874	95,233
Stainless Steel	Tonnes	1,18,181	65,717	98,319	74,456	4,717	6,396	1,627	9,921
Alloy Steel	Tonnes	2,14,227	1,69,116	1,35,282	74,424	52,876	43,937	48,981	18,373

(b) SAIL has an agreement with Indian Railways for production and supply of Rails (track material). There is no long term agreement for production and supply of coaches. As per agreement signed in 2003, Railways is committed to buy its entire rail requirement in all lengths from SAIL and SAIL is committed to fulfill the entire demand of Railways. All other steel materials, including special steel for production of coaches, are produced and supplied by SAIL to the Railways against orders finalized by Railways through open tenders.

(c)&(d): SAIL had submitted a proposal to Indian Railways in April 2013 for setting up a coach manufacturing unit as a Joint Venture with the Railways. However, the Railways has intimated that the Government had already approved for setting up of a Coach Manufacturing Factory on PPP/JV mode on the basis of International Competitive Bidding.
