

**LOK SABHA**  
**STARRED QUESTION NO.\*374**  
**FOR ANSWER ON 20/04/2015**

**POSCO STEEL PLANTS**

\*374. SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE:  
DR. KULAMANI SAMAL:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Steel Authority of India (SAIL) proposes to set up new steel plants jointly with the South Korean steel major POSCO in various parts of the country including Bokaro;
- (b) if so, the details and the status thereof, location-wise;
- (c) whether the POSCO has renewed the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for setting up of mega steel plant in Jagatsinghpur district of Odisha; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons for delay in setting up of the plant?

**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.

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**STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (D) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO.\*374 FOR ANSWER ON 20/04/2015 TABLED BY SHRIMATI RAKSHATAI KHADSE AND DR. KULAMANI SAMAL, MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT REGARDING POSCO STEEL PLANTS.**

(a)&(b): SAIL and POSCO recently discussed possible collaboration opportunities including setting up of integrated steel plant. The discussions are at a very preliminary stage.

(c) The Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) of POSCO, for setting-up of mega steel plant at Jagatsinghpur district in Odisha has not yet been renewed by the State Government.

(d) Does not arise.

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