

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2990**  
**FOR ANSWER ON 12/12/2011**

**STEEL PROCESSING UNITS**

2990. SHRI DEVJI M. PATEL:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) has set up steel processing units in different parts of the country during the last three years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether there is any proposal to set up such units across the country including one in Sirohi district of Rajasthan in near future; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA)

(a)&(b): Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) has accorded "in-principle" approval for setting up of ten Steel Processing Units (SPUs) in the State of Bihar (Bettiah, Mahnar and Gaya), Madhya Pradesh (Hoshangabad, Ujjain and Gwalior), Assam (Guwahati), in Uttar Pradesh (Lakhimpur), Jammu & Kashmir (Srinagar) and in Himachal Pradesh (Kangra).

The SPUs at Bettiah and Kangra have been accorded final approval by SAIL Board. For the SPU at Bettiah, integrated trials have been completed successfully. Upon grant of quality certification the project would be made operational. For the SPU at Kangra, civil and structural works and erection of equipment is in progress. Trials runs are expected to start by March, 2012.

(c)&(d): In addition to the above, an SPU is also proposed to be set up by SAIL at Barabanki, Uttar Pradesh through Joint Venture. At present there is no proposal to set up SPU in Sirohi district of Rajasthan.

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