

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF STEEL

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1987
FOR ANSWER ON 14/03/2013

WORKING CAPACITY OF BHILAI STEEL PLANT

1987. DR. BHUSHAN LAL JANGDE:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the working capacity of the Steel Plant at the steel city Bhilai in comparison to that of the last ten years;
- (b) whether a gradual decrease in production has been noticed in the Bhilai Steel Plant (BSP) during the last five years and whether the number of labourers and employees have been decreasing simultaneously and the reasons for this indifference;
- (c) whether the entire country has been looking at Bhilai Steel Plant (BSP) with pride but the emptiness of BSP is not hidden from anybody at present and the reasons therefor; and
- (d) whether any report could be submitted by the Government on the above facts?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA)

- (a) The crude steel production capacity of Bhilai Steel Plant in 2012-13 is 3.925 MT which is same in comparison to that of the last ten years.
- (b)to(d): No, Sir. The production of crude steel at Bhilai Steel Plant (BSP) has always been above the rated capacity of plant.

Keeping in view the thrust towards increasing competitiveness and enhancing productivity by rationalisation and optimal utilization of manpower, a multi-pronged approach has been adopted which includes use of state-of-the-art technology, enhanced automation / process improvement, multi-skilling and use of best practices to achieve higher production targets with less manpower. Further, planning for plant-wise manpower requirement is carried out on annual basis through the system of Annual Human Resource Plan (HRP). BSP has shown consistently high level of performance year after year and has been adjudged as the Best Integrated Steel Plant under the Prime Minister's Trophy for Best Integrated Steel Plant 10 times which is the highest by any steel plant in the country.
