## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STEEL

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2544 FOR ANSWER ON 07/12/2016

## SETTING UP OF OFFICE OF NMDC IN CHHATTISGARH

2544. DR. BHUSHAN LAL JANGDE:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government proposes to set up an office of NMDC in Chhattisgarh so that the iron ore mines and steel plants located there may be monitored; and
- (b) whether it is a fact that there are as many as 360 leases for minerals in Chhattisgarh, which are inspected by Nagpur office, if so, whether the Centre will approve setting up of an office in Raipur to ensure smooth inspection work?

## ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR STEEL

(SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI)

- (a) NMDC Ltd., an iron ore mining CPSU, already has an office in Raipur, Chhattisgarh.
- (b) As per available information, a total of 188 number of mining leases other than Atomic, fuel and minor mineral were in Chhattisgarh as on 31.03.2015 (Source: Indian Bureau of Mines-IBM). Office of IBM has already started functioning from 12.04.2016 at Raipur, Chhattisgarh.

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