## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STEEL

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2899 FOR ANSWER ON 06/09/2012

## SUPPLY OF SAIL STEEL FOR NEUTRINO OBSERVATORY

2899. SHRI A. ELAVARASAN:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Steel Authority of India, the country's largest steel maker has been asked to supply 50,000 tonne of special steel for building a CERN like underground detector for India based Neutrino Observatory (INO); and
- (b) if so, the details thereof?

## ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. On the request from Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC), the Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) proposes to supply 50,000 tonne soft iron plate for India based Neutrino observatory (INO) project. A trial production of soft iron plates was taken up at Bhilai Steel Plant as per the composition and process parameters decided jointly by SAIL and BARC and found acceptable.

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