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ANSWERED ON

JOB CREATION THROUGH STEEL PROJECT BY POSCO .

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Will the Minister of COALCOALCOALCOALCOALSTEEL be pleased to state :-

(a) whether the project signed by the State Government of Orissa with Korean Steel Company POSCO will create around 13,000 jobs directly and estimated 35,000 indirectly;

(b) whether Government would suitably advise the State Government to ensure that no delay in the implementation of the project takes place;

(c) if so, whether Government possess model guidelines in this regard based on their experience gained in similar projects earlier; and

(d) if not, whether Government would start such an exercise immediately, so as to eliminate any avoidable delay?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL

(SHRI A. SAI PRATHAP)

(a) There is no provision regarding the number of employment in the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed by the Government of Orissa with POSCO India Limited. However, as per a study conducted by National Council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER) in 2006, the expected job creation, after achievement of 12 million tonne capacity for POSCO, would be 8,70,000 person years for 30 years period. This study has not been endorsed by any Government.

(b) The project is being directly implemented by M/s. POSCO India Limited. The concerned Governments are facilitating the implementation, subjected to statutory and regulatory approvals.

(c) & (d): Ministry of Steel has not formulated any model guideline regarding implementation of large size steel projects. The implementation schedule and phase – wise capacity expansion etc. are decided by the investors themselves, based upon technology, financial, marketing and commercial considerations.