### GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STEEL

# LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 790 FOR ANSWER ON 07.02.2024

#### STEEL PLANT

#### 790. SHRI DULAL CHANDRA GOSWAMI:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to modernise the various steel plants in the country for the improvement of their performance;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor; and
- (c) the total number of steel plants modernised in the country during the last three years?

#### **ANSWER**

## THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL

(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)

- (a)&(b): Steel, being a deregulated sector, the decisions regarding modernization of the various steel plants in the country are taken by the steel companies based on commercial considerations and market dynamics. The role of the Government is to facilitate the steel Industry by laying down the policy guidelines and establishing the institutional mechanism/structure for creating conducive environment for improving efficiency of the steel sector in the country.
- (c) The public sector companies under the Minister of Steel, namely, Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) and Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL) have completed modernization of their steel plants progressively during 2006-07 to 2018-19. This includes steel plants of SAIL at Bhilai (Chhattisgarh), Bokaro (Jharkhand), Rourkela (Odisha), Durgapur (West Bengal), Burnpur (West Bengal) and of RINL at Visakhapatnam (Andhra Pradesh).

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