

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2061
TO BE ANSWERED ON 09.03.2016**

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2061. DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE:

Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) and National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) have signed an MoU for skill development in steel sector; and
- (b) if so, the details of salient features of this MoU?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF
SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
(SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)**

(a) & (b) National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) for collaboration to support skill development initiatives on 13th July, 2015. This MoU is valid for 1 year. The basic purpose of collaboration between SAIL and NSDC to support the skill development Initiatives is as follows:

- (i) Skilling of on-roll employees of SAIL,
- (ii) Skilling of off-roll manpower of SAIL,
- (iii) Skilling of local youth for future employability and income generation.

The scope includes the following specific areas to support the skill development initiatives in the country, specially focusing on Iron & Steel Industry. The details of activities envisaged in MoU are given at **Annexure**.

ANNEXURE

Details of activities envisaged in MoU signed between NSDC and SAIL.

1. Establishing Skill Development Centers (SDCs) in the vicinity of Four Steel Plant locations viz. Bhilai Steel Plant, Bokaro Steel Plant, Rourkela Steel Plant and Durgapur Steel Plant to be operated on self-sustaining basis by NSDC training partners. Buildings in each of the locations with connected land will be given to training partners as mutually decided/approved by NSDC and SAIL on long-term lease to operate these Skill Development Centers.
2. Establishing a Centre of Excellence (CoE) for skill development specifically for Iron & Steel Industry in the vicinity of IISCO Steel Plant, Burnpur. This CoE is envisaged to be a standalone autonomous body within the framework of State/Center Policy.
3. Establishing a system of Certifying and Recognizing Prior Learning (RPL) for contractual/ outsourced manpower working in SAIL Plants/Units with support of Sector Skill Council (SSC)-Iron & Steel.
4. Upgrading the training infrastructure in the technical training Institutes of SAIL Plants and aligning the training courses organized by these training institutes with Quality Packs (QPs) and National Occupational Standard (NOS) for steel industry as developed by SSC-Iron & Steel.
5. Imparting training and building capability of local youths around the vicinity of SAIL Plants/Units to earn their livelihood through agriculture, handicrafts, cooperatives, entrepreneurships, small scale industry and other endeavours.
