

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF STEEL

RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1917
FOR ANSWER ON 10/03/2021

PERFORMANCE OF GOVERNMENT-OWNED STEEL COMPANIES

1917. DR. FAUZIA KHAN:

Will the Minister of Steel be pleased to state:

- (a) the revenue generated by Government-owned steel companies during last five years;
- (b) whether the profit of Government-owned steel companies has reduced since 2014;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefor; and
- (d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken by Government in this regard?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) There are two steel manufacturing Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) under the administrative control of Ministry of Steel, namely, Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) and Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL). The revenue generated by SAIL and RINL during the last five years is given at **Annexure-I**.

(b)&(c): The steel industry witnessed severe downturn globally with demand slowdown, overcapacity, cheaper imports, variations in coking coal prices coupled with higher interest charges on borrowings and higher depreciations which impacted the realisations of the companies during 2015-16 to 2017-18. The companies subsequently reduced their losses and earned some profit in 2018-19. During 2019-20, SAIL remained in profit but RINL incurred losses partly due to slowdown in demand for long steel products of the company.

(d) Steel is a deregulated sector and the role of the Government is that of a facilitator. The Government has taken various measures to facilitate growth of the domestic steel industry viz. notified Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Amendment Act, 2015, thereby streamlining grant of Mining leases, changes in peak rate of custom duty on steel and levy of safeguard duties, notifying Anti-dumping duties on steel products and issuance of Steel Quality Control Orders to stop non-standardized steel import and manufacturing, etc.

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Annexure-I

Revenue Generated by SAIL and RINL

(Rs. In crore)

Name of the CPSE	2015-16			2016-17			2017-18			2018-19			2019-20		
	Revenue from Operations	PBT	PAT	Revenue from Operations	PBT	PAT	Revenue from Operations	PBT	PAT	Revenue from Operations	PBT	PAT	Revenue from Operations	PBT	PAT
SAIL	43875	(-)7008	(-)4021	49767	(-)4851	(-)2833	58962	(-)759	(-) 482	66967	3338	2179	61661	3171	2022
RINL	10132.90	(-)1417.23	(-)1420.64	12418.74	(-)1690.49	(-)1263.16	14607.18	(-)1911.45	(-)1369.01	20492.03	(-) 306.89	96.71	15920.46	(-)4287.51	(-) 3910.17