

Odisha CM unveils industrial projects worth ₹1.15 lakh crore, to generate over 36,000 jobs

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Odisha Chief Minister Mohan Charan Majhi on Thursday inaugurated and laid foundation stones for 24 industrial projects with a total investment of ₹1.15 lakh crore, which will generate over 36,000 jobs.

He inaugurated four projects, including Tata Steel Ltd's 5 mtpa Integrated Steel Plant expansion at Kalinga Nagar industrial hub with an investment of ₹47,599 crore. The project is expected to create 4,625 jobs, said an official statement.

Addressing the gathering, Majhi said, "Today, Odisha stands at a historic turning point. With the launch of industrial projects worth ₹1.15 lakh crore in Jajpur, we are not merely laying foundation stones, we are building the

future. Now, 36,000 employment opportunities are being created, ensuring that our youth can grow with pride in their own land."

TATA STEEL HUB

Asserting that Odisha has emerged as the single largest investment destination for Tata Steel, its CEO and Managing Director TV Narendran, said, "Kalinganagar is more than a manufacturing site for us. This expansion reflects our deep belief in Odisha's potential and our long-term commitment to this State."

Other projects inaugurated include JSL Group's petroleum and solar power venture (₹ 70 crore), Jatia Steel Ltd's 0.75 mtpa TMT rebar-cum-wire rod mill, (₹ 220 crore) and Abis Exports India Private Ltd's poultry feed plant (₹161.57 crore).

The CM also laid the



CM Mohan Charan Majhi

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foundation stones for 20 industrial projects. Among them is Neelachal Ispat Nigam's 8.52 mtpa steel plant expansion at an investment of ₹61,769 crore. This unit is poised to become one of the largest steel manufacturing facilities in the region and is expected to create 14,000 direct jobs, an official said.

Foundation stones were laid for projects by Linde India Ltd's ₹425 crore air sep-

aration unit; and ground breaking ceremony for TYK Ceramics India Pvt Ltd of Japan's (₹57 crore) advanced refractory products for steel-making, the statement said.

Almamet India Pvt Ltd of Germany, is investing ₹50.6 crore for making magnesium granules and calcium carbide; Neo Industries Metal Processing Pvt Ltd of US will pump in ₹72 crore in chrome plating and steel surface finishing; Corewire Surface Technology Pvt Ltd of UK will invest ₹50.1 crore to set up a steel roll rebuilding unit; Lechler India Pvt Ltd, a German firm, is setting up ₹1.5 crore precision nozzle and steel fabrication unit, it added.

Majhi also laid the foundation stone of Odisha-origin IMFA's expansion plant in Kalinga Nagar. The facility will produce 100,000 tonnes of ferrochrome annually.