CHHATTISGARH

SAIL-Bhilai gets special quality plates order

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Bhilai Steel Plant (BSP), a Chhattisgarh-based arm of Steel Authority of India (SAIL), has received fresh orders from the UAE to supply large volumes of special quality plates.

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The plant has received an export order of 10,000 tonnes — with plates complying with European and American specifications, a BSP spokesperson said. The process of production is scheduled to be completed within March for shipping

to the UAE, he added. The company is also executing export orders for an additional volume of around 10,000 tonnes of plates, which is likely to be completed in February. Plates of mildand high-tensile grades complying with the European and American specifications are being supthrough Tata plied International, Dubai.

The spokesperson said the dual certification in the Grades BS 10025 JR-AR and A 572 Gr.50 Type 3 had been done for the first time in Bhilai's plate mill. Step by step monitoring, along with the support from the plant's quality department, resulted in a successful and timely execution of the export orders. The steel for the export grades has been made for the first time in SAIL-BSP with the addition of boron in restricted quantity and titanium, in compliance with National Export Tax norms.

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The SAIL-Bhilai unit will ship 34,000 tonnes of plates to West Asian countries, including Dubai in the UAE, in the current financial year. The order includes around 14,000 tonnes supplied in August 2022 with different grades dual certification to European and American specifications.