

PRESS RELEASE

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Successful start of production in India

**Bhushan Steel puts a continuous slab caster
from SMS Siemag into operation**

SMS Siemag, Germany, has successfully commissioned a single-strand continuous slab caster for the production of 1,300 mm wide slabs at the Angul, Orissa, location of Bhushan Steel Ltd., New Delhi, India.

On executing the first cast at the end of April 2011, 70 t of liquid steel were cast and the first three slabs were produced in peritectic grades for tube manufacture.

The SMS Siemag supply scope for the vertical bending machine comprises plant, process and automation engineering & equipment. This includes the mold with resonance oscillation, which is equipped with a model for optimized oscillation aimed at improving the surface quality of the strand, as well as the entire strand guide system. Also included are all of the casting floor and removal equipment items, the X-Pact® electrical and automation package and the supervision of erection and commissioning.

Bhushan Steel produces quality steel for the automotive industry and sophisticated pipe grades for the Indian and international markets.

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