



TATA STEEL

THE ARCHITECT OF INDIA'S FIRST STEEL PLANT

In 1907, Jamsetji Tata realized his father's vision of a steel plant by setting up of the Tata Iron & Steel Company (TISCO) on August 26, 1907. The plant became operational on December 2, 1911 when the Blast Furnace was blown in for the first time. Steel production commenced from February 16, 1912.

Under the leadership of Sir Dorabji Tata, the first expansion of TISCO, called the Greater Extension Scheme was sanctioned by the shareholders on December 12, 1916 and authorized at their meeting on January 11, 1917. The scheme saw the introduction of Bessemer Furnace which gave 7,000 more pig iron than the previous blast furnaces. Dry systems being introduced for the Coke Plant, set-up of a Blasting Mill, a Rail and Jitters Mill and a Lignite Furnace and more. The capacity of the Plant was increased, and substantial additions were made to the carbonaceous Sheet Bar and Steel Mill, the Sheet Mill and the Bessemer Mill, which were a result of improvements in design and Vöestlupke Lurgi Chem.

