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The first-of-its-kind facility, situated near Gobindgarh in Punjab, will produce a new product, Continuously Galvanized Rebar (CGR). CGRs are value added rebars for higher life and low maintenance of infrastructure to provide significant cost savings compared to other corrosion resistant rebar systems. It offers on-site formability of the finished product, superior corrosion resistance in concrete at a price cheaper than other corrosion resistant rebar (Epoxy Coating & CRS rebar). With an annual capacity of over 30,000 tonnes, the plant will manufacture ZNCOAT TEMP CORE TMT BARS under the brand name JYOTI - a name that is now synonymous with excellence in steel manufacturing. This

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