

'Tsentrmetallurgremont' (Central Metallurgical Repair) Administration, which erected the new building with its own resources.

"The potential of this new material is truly unlimited," our TASS correspondent was told by A. Konovalov, head of the Administration. No cement is required for its manufacture. It is a concrete composed of granulated tailings and other waste products of the Novolipetsk Metallurgical Combine. To prepare this new building material, specialists of the Administration developed and set up new types of facilities.

This lightweight, sound-proof material possesses good insulating properties and permits rapid construction, regardless of the degree of complexity. For example, the first 20-storey building in the oblast capital city was put up at a rate twice the standard pace of construction.

The Combine has an impressive quantity of raw materials at its disposal, but not enough use is made of them in Lipetsk. The city must significantly expand housing construction; the appearance of a new source of cheap and reliable building materials is, therefore, very timely.

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