GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STEEL

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TARGET TO INCREASE CRUDE STEEL CAPACITY

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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is true that the Government's ambitious target to increase crude steel capacity in India to 300 MT and production to 255 MT by 2030 from the 8 MT production at present and if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) whether it is a fact that the Chinese steel accounted for over 70% of India's total steel imports and if so, the measures taken by the Government to reduce the high dependence on China in Steel imports?

ANSWER

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- (a) Steel is a de-regulated sector and the government acts as a facilitator by creating a conducive policy environment for the development of the steel sector. National Steel Policy, 2017 envisages a crude steel capacity of 300 million tonnes (MT) and production 255 MT by 2030 based on projections of growth in domestic demand, exports and various other factors. Crude steel capacity and production for the year 2024-25 were 200.33 MT and 152.18 MT, respectively.
- (b) The details of finished steel imports from China over the last two years and the current year, along with its share in overall imports, are given below:-

Finished Steel Imports (MnT)			
Year	Imports from China	Total imports	% share of China
2023-24	2.69	8.32	32.3
2024-25	2.53	9.55	26.5
Apr-Jun 2025-26*	0.31	1.38	22.4
Source: Joint Plant Committee (JPC); *Provisional; MnT= million tonnes			
