GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STEEL

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 412 FOR ANSWER ON 22.07.2025

STRENGTHENING OF STEEL INDUSTRY

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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps being taken by the Government to strengthen steel industry of our country in global competition;
- (b) whether the Government proposes to set up a mega solar power plant on the vacant land in the premises of SAIL Jagdishpur unit; and
- (c) whether the Government proposes to set up round and square iron pipe and coloured sheet manufacturing units in addition to steel bars in the Jagdishpur unit of SAIL and if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE (SHRI BHUPATHIRAJU SRINIVASA VARMA) MINISTRY OF STEEL

- (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. The Government has taken several measures to strengthen Steel Industry to face global competition such as:-
- 1. Implementation of Domestically Manufactured Iron & Steel Products (DMI&SP) Policy for promoting 'Made in India' steel for Government procurement.
- 2. Launch of the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for Specialty Steel to promote the manufacturing of 'Specialty Steel' within the country and reduce imports by attracting capital investments.
- 3. Thrust in the Union Budget to infrastructure expansion which has contributed to increasing steel consumption.
- 4. Calibration in Basic Customs Duty on Ferro Nickel and ferrous scrap imports to reduce input costs.
- 5. Revamping Steel Import Monitoring System (SIMS) for monitoring of imports to provide granular details on imports to the domestic steel industry.
- 6. Introduction of Steel Quality Control Orders thereby banning sub-standard/ defective steel products in the domestic market as well as imports to ensure the availability of quality steel to the industry, users, and public at large.
- (b)&(c): Steel Authority of India(SAIL) has informed that there is no proposal under consideration to set up a mega solar power plant or manufacturing units for round and square iron pipes and coloured sheets in the Jagdishpur unit of SAIL.
