GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STEEL

RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *216 FOR ANSWER ON 08.08.2025

DEMAND AND PRODUCTION OF STEEL

*216. SHRI DIGVIJAYA SINGH:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the reasons for the decline in domestic steel demand in Financial Year 2024 25, sector-wise;
- (b) whether Government has conducted an impact assessment of the continued influx of dumped Chinese steel;
- (c) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) the impact of coal shortages on steel production and pricing, with data on production losses and cost escalation;
- (e) whether Government intends to reduce GST on steel to boost infrastructure projects; and
- (f) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(SHRI H.D. KUMARASWAMY)

(a)to(f): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A)TO(F) OF THE RAJYA SABHA STARRED (*) QUESTION NO. *216 FOR ANSWER ON 08/08/2025 TABLED BY SHRI DIGVIJAYA SINGH, MEMBER OF PARLIAMERNT REGARDING "DEMAND AND PRODUCTION OF STEEL"

- (a) The finished steel consumption in India for 2023-24 and 2024-25 were 136.3 Million Tons (MT) and 152.1 MT respectively, representing an increase of 11.6% in FY 2024-25 over the previous financial year. There has been an increase in steel consumption across all major sectors consuming steel which include building & construction, infrastructure, automobile, defence, engineering and packaging.
- (b)to(f): Steel is a deregulated sector and the Government acts as a facilitator for the development of steel sector in India. Steel prices have reduced by about 11% since the last two years and production has increased by 5.5% from 144.30 MT in 2023-24 to 152.18 MT in 2024-25. Share of finished steel imports from China has fallen to 22% in the current financial year, which is about 7% lower than the same period last year. Government has taken following measures to facilitate the sector, boost domestic consumption and reduce imports:
 - i. Implementation of Domestically Manufactured Iron & Steel Products (DMI&SP) Policy for promoting 'Made in India' steel for Government procurement.
 - ii. 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.
 - iii. Thrust in the Union Budget to infrastructure expansion.
- iv. Calibration of Basic Customs Duty (BCD) on input materials such as scrap, ferronickel, etc.
- v. Imposition of Anti-Dumping Duty (ADD) and Counter-Vailing Duty (CVD) based on investigation by DGTR.
- vi. Imposition of a provisional safeguard duty at the rate of 12% (twelve percent) ad valorem for 200 days on imports of certain Non-Alloy and Alloy Steel Flat Products.
- vii. Revamping Steel Import Monitoring System (SIMS) for monitoring of imports to provide granular details on imports to the domestic steel industry.
