GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STEEL

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 319

FOR ANSWER ON 02.12.2025

STATUS OF PLI SCHEME FOR STEEL SECTOR

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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the current status of Production Linked Incentive (PLI) schemes implemented under the Ministry of Steel, including the total number of applications received, approved and rejected since inception;
- (b) the allocation of PLI benefits among specialty steel, automotive steel, electrical steel and other categories, along with the percentage of allocated funds disbursed till date, sector-wise;
- (c) the distribution of PLI beneficiaries and the employment generation achieved through these schemes, particularly in aspirational districts, State-wise;
- (d) the specific performance parameters and milestones set for PLI beneficiaries;
- (e) the measures taken to promote domestic value addition and reduce import dependency in critical steel grades through PLI incentives;
- (f) the timeline for completion of ongoing PLI projects and the projected production capacity addition in the steel sector by 2025-26; and
- (g) whether the Government plans to extend or modify existing PLI schemes for the steel sector beyond the current framework?

ANSWER

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

(a)to(g): Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for Specialty Steel was approved by the Union Cabinet in July, 2021 with a budget of ₹6,322 crore which aims to boost specialty steel production through financial incentives. The scheme offers incentives for five years, from Financial Year 2024-25 to Financial Year 2030-31, to companies that meet specified investment and production targets. The scheme covers five product categories which include coated steel, high-strength steel, specialty rails, alloy steels & steel wires, and electrical steel. Two rounds have been concluded so far in which participating beneficiaries are from the states of Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat,

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Haryana, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Maharashtra, Odisha, Punjab, Tamilnadu, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal. In the first and second rounds, 19 companies have committed ₹27,106 crore investment and 25 companies have committed ₹17,000 crore investment, respectively. Till October, 2025, the participating beneficiary companies have invested ₹23,022 crore and produced 2.33 million tonnes of specialty steel. 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. Decisions such as investment, capacity addition, employment, product portfolio etc. are based on techno-commercial analysis of companies.
