

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF STEEL

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STEEL CAPACITY IN ODISHA

2380. SHRI DEBASHISH SAMANTARAY:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether steel production in Odisha has increased in the current fiscal year;
- (b) steps taken to promote green steel technologies in the State;
- (c) whether the Ministry plans to expand capacity at Rourkela Steel Plant;
- (d) measures to ensure availability of iron ore to MSME steel units; and
- (e) details of foreign investment in Odisha's steel sector?

ANSWER

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

(a) During the period from April, 2025 to October, 2025, crude steel production in Odisha was 18.07 million tonnes which is an increase of 18.8% over the corresponding period of the previous year.

(b) Government has taken several measures for green-steel production in India including Odisha: the release of taxonomy for Green Steel to provide standards for defining and categorizing the low emission steel; awarding of pilot projects for use of hydrogen in steel sector under National Green Hydrogen Mission launched by Ministry of New & Renewable Energy; launch of National Solar Mission by Ministry of New and Renewable Energy in January, 2010 to promote the use of solar energy; introduction of the Environment Protection (End-of-Life Vehicles) Rules, 2025, requiring vehicle producers to meet annual scrapping targets based on the type of vehicle and materials recovered; notification of Steel Scrap Recycling Policy in 2019.

(c)to(e): Steel is a deregulated sector and Government supports the development of sector through relevant policies. Decisions such as production, expansion, investment, modernization, employment etc. are dependent on the market conditions and techno-commercial analysis of individual companies. Government has taken steps to ensure the availability of iron ore to MSME steel units which include mining and mineral policy reforms, early operationalization of forfeited and non-working mines, ramping up production and capacity utilization by CPSE iron ore producers.
