GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STEEL

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1219 FOR ANSWER ON 11.02.2025

EXPORT OF STEEL

1219. SHRI CAPTAIN BRIJESH CHOWTA:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government to create employment opportunities in the steel industry for skilled and unskilled workers in Dakshina Kannada;

(b) whether any skill development programmes or training centres specific to the steel industry are being planned in Karnataka, particularly in Dakshina Kannada;

(c) the steps being taken to utilize the New Mangalore Port for exporting steel and steel products and to enhance export competitiveness for the steel sector in Karnataka;

(d) the details of steel export volumes and revenue generated through Karnataka's ports during the last three years; and

(e) whether any incentives are being offered for steel exporters in coastal regions like Dakshina Kannada under Budget 2025-26?

ANSWER

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

(a)&(b): Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSE's) under the administrative control of the Ministry provide employment opportunities for skilled and unskilled workers from across the country and provide need based skill development trainings to them.

(c)to(e): Steel is a de-regulated sector. Steel companies decide on using a particular port for import or export of steel as per techno-economic considerations. The export of iron and steel from the country has been liberalized and the decision to export is taken by the entrepreneur based on domestic demand and supply conditions, including prices of the item concerned.

Data on export (quantity and value) of finished steel from ports in Karnataka during last three years is given below:-

Finished Steel Export from ports in Karnataka		
Year	Quantity (in '000 tonnes)	Value (in Rs crores)
2021-22	141.62	1034
2022-23	0.85	23
2023-24	1.13	26
Source: Jo	int Plant Committee(JPC)	