

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF STEEL

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2467**  
FOR ANSWER ON 21.12.2022

**ASSESSMENT OF STEEL MANUFACTURER**

2467. SHRI DAYANIDHI MARAN:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has conducted any study or assessment of the current situation of steel manufacturers in India and if so the details thereof;
- (b) whether it is true that the high input costs due to rise in import of steel are making it difficult for domestic manufacturers to compete with foreign manufacturers and if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details of the imports, exports & domestic production of steel during the last five years, itemized month-wise;
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government for promotion and protection of domestic steel manufacturers; and
- (e) whether it is a fact that the Indian Steel Association (ISA) has sought World Trade Organization compliant measures to reduce the import of steel and if so, the details thereof along with the policies being considered thereon?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)

(a)to(d): Steel is a deregulated sector. Steel is produced by different processes and the production cost varies from plant to plant depending upon the input costs. To protect domestic steel industry from cheaper & dumped imports, calibration in Basic Custom Duty on steel products and raw materials along with imposition of trade remedial measures like Anti-Dumping Duty (ADD), Countervailing Duty (CVD) are undertaken to enhance competitiveness of India's steel sector. The details of month-wise production, consumption, and export of finished steel in the country are at **Annexure-I.**

Government acts as a facilitator by creating enabling environment by providing policy support and guidance to steel sector. Government has taken following measures to promote and protect domestic steel manufacturers:-

- (i) Notification of National Steel Policy 2017 which envisages, inter-alia, domestically meeting the entire demand of steel and high-grade automotive steel, electrical steel, special steel and alloys for strategic applications.

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- (ii) Notification of Domestically Manufactured Iron & Steel Products (DMI&SP) Policy for promoting procurement of Made in India steel.
- (iii) Notification of Production-Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for Specialty Steel with an outlay of ₹ 6,322 Crore to promote the manufacturing of specialty steel within the country by attracting capital investments.
- (iv) Issuance of Steel Quality Control Orders to stop manufacturing and import of non- standardized steel.
- (e) Directorate General of Trade Remedies (DGTR), a quasi-judicial body, under Department of Commerce undertakes investigations (Anti-Dumping, Countervailing, Safeguard etc.) based on the petitions filed by steel industry, as well as suo-moto, from time to time. The findings and recommendations of DGTR are analyzed by the Government for Notification keeping in view the domestic production, price and availability of such grades of steel.

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**Annexure-I**

Month	Total Finished Steel Qty (in'000 tonne)														
	2021-22			2020-21			2019-20			2018-19			2017-18		
	Production	Import	Export	Production	Import	Export	Production	Import	Export	Production	Import	Export	Production	Import	Export
April	9266	364	951	1571	407	429	8674	620	516	8040	598	573	7551	504	747
May	8481	393	1237	5521	539	1284	9043	554	459	8157	620	445	7522	558	641
June	8730	402	1369	6943	266	1552	8825	628	357	8333	678	378	7238	644	648
July	8790	410	1512	8131	293	1376	8613	796	602	8162	759	530	7531	798	770
August	9341	396	1331	8557	161	1039	8359	855	983	8255	671	716	7758	1005	924
September	9330	409	1354	8538	318	864	8106	565	1019	8295	675	590	7666	811	1119
October	9850	378	1055	9145	362	555	8323	630	950	8621	679	594	7889	602	778
November	9234	312	722	9034	351	598	8574	429	867	8389	681	482	7968	614	1012
December	10079	395	798	9912	512	617	9223	437	767	8714	548	368	8278	562	964
January	10309	450	814	9697	582	523	9115	477	694	8743	638	475	8672	355	615
February	9590	411	1157	9051	460	655	8565	401	570	8285	583	619	7999	547	693
March	10598	351	1195	10105	500	1292	7200	376	573	9293	705	592	8937	483	708
<b>Total</b>	<b>113597</b>	<b>4669</b>	<b>13494</b>	<b>96204</b>	<b>4752</b>	<b>10784</b>	<b>102621</b>	<b>6768</b>	<b>8355</b>	<b>101287</b>	<b>7835</b>	<b>6361</b>	<b>95010</b>	<b>7483</b>	<b>9620</b>
Source : Joint Plant Committee(JPC)															