

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF STEEL

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 444**  
FOR ANSWER ON 04.02.2025

**STEEL HUB**

444. SHRI GURMEET SINGH MEET HAYER:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Mandi Gobindgarh has long been a vital steel hub in India, known for its key role in the processing of scrap steel and if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether it is a fact, that in recent years, its growth has stagnated and steps taken by the Government to rejuvenate the Mandi Gobindgarh steel hub;
- (c) whether there is any initiatives to incentivise investments in this region and the steps being taken to boost employment opportunities and economic growth within the steel industry; and
- (d) whether the Government is considering a special economic package to support this industrial hub, if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

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

(a)to(d): Mandi Gobindgarh has several steel units in Induction Furnace (IF) and Electric Arc Furnace (EAF) which use scrap as one of the raw materials for steel making. There are 247 steel units in Fatehgarh Sahib district of Punjab of them there are 74 IF and 2 EAF units. There has been steady increase in production of crude steel from 1.91 Million Tonnes (MT) in 2021-22 to 2.55 MT in 2023-24.

Steel is a de-regulated sector and Government's role is that of a facilitator which lays down the policy guidelines and establishes the institutional mechanism/structure for creating conducive environment for improving efficiency and performance of the steel sector. In this role, the Government has released the National Steel Policy 2017, which had laid down the broad roadmap for encouraging long term growth for the Indian steel industry, both on demand and supply sides, by 2030-31. The Government has also announced a policy for providing preference to domestically manufactured Iron & Steel products in Government procurement. This policy seeks to accomplish PM's vision of 'Make in India' with objective of nation building and encourage domestic manufacturing and is applicable on all government tenders. The government has also approved a Production-linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for Specialty Steel.

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