LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.1991

FOR ANSWER ON 09/03/2015

CHINESE STEEL IMPORTS

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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of steel dumped by China by adding boron into the country during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the indigenous steel industry is facing a lot of difficulties due to import of cheaper/substandard quality steel from China;
- (c) if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) the corrective measures being taken by the Government to safeguard the interest of indigenous steel industry against such imports?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES

(SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI)

(a)to(c): The global steel industry, including India, in general is going through a difficult phase. There is no specific data regarding the import of steel with boron from China. However, the details of import of steel from China, in the last three years and the current year, is indicated below:-

| CHINA - Import of Carbon Steel | Thousand Tonnes | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Year | Carbon Steel | Alloy / Stainless |
| 2011-12 | 782.18 | 721.21 |
| 2012-13 | 832.38 | 855.90 |
| 2013-14 | 646.77 | 441.70 |
| 2014-15(Apr. – Jan.) | 1527.22 | 1376.92 |

(Source: Joint Plant Committee (JPC)

(d) Steel is a deregulated sector. However, to ensure that only quality steel is imported into India, Ministry of Steel has notified Steel and Steel Product (Quality Control) Orders on 12-03-2012, as last amended on 04-12-2014.
