

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.601
FOR ANSWER ON 06/02/2017

CHEAP STEEL IMPORTS

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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has brought or proposes to bring more steel grades *i.e.* cold reduced low carbon sheets and strips, hard drawn wire and cold rolled strips under the quality control order, if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether the Government has imposed 57 per cent anti-dumping duty on the steel imports to provide relief to the domestic steel industry, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government has imposed different amount of anti-dumping duty on the steel imports from the different countries including China and Thailand, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor, country-wise; and
- (d) the other steps being taken by the Government to protect and promote the domestic steel industry?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR STEEL

(SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI)

- (a) Ministry of Steel has brought cold reduced low carbon sheets and strips and cold rolled strips under the quality control order vide order dated 18th December 2015.
- (b) The Government had notified anti-dumping duty vide Notification No. 61/2015-Customs (ADD) on imports of Cold Rolled Stainless Steel Flat products. The duty rates vary from 4.58% to 57.39% depending on the country and producer.
- (c) There are different rates of duty applicable to different countries. The duty rates vary from 4.58% applicable on exports from Thailand to 57.39% on any exports from China. The detailed duty structure is provided in **Annexure-I**.
- (d) In order to protect and promote the domestic steel industry the Government has taken following measures:-
 - Increased the peak rate of basic customs duty on both flat and non-flat steel to 15% from 10%.
 - Increased the import duty on flat rolled steel @ 10% on long and semi finished products.
 - Levied the Anti-Dumping Duty on imports of certain variety of hot-rolled flat products of stainless steel from China.
 - Levied the Anti-Dumping Duty for five years on imports of cold rolled Flat products of stainless steel.
 - Government has notified Minimum Import Price (MIP) to provide a level playing field to domestic producers against the injury caused as evident from the decline in margins of the producers.
 - Imposed the Safeguard Duty of 20% on hot-rolled flat products of non-alloy and other alloy steel, in coils.

Annexure-I

Anti-Dumping Duty imposed on 11th December 2015

#	Tariff heading	Description of goods	Specification	Countries/Territories of origin	Countries/Territories of export	Producer	Exporter	% of landed value
1	7219	Cold-rolled Flat products of stainless steel	All Grades, All Series except the exclusions as per Note below	People's Republic of China	Any	Any	Any	57.39%
2	7219	Cold-rolled Flat products of stainless steel	All Grades, All Series except the exclusions as per Note below	Any country other than the subject countries/territories	People's Republic of China	Any	Any	57.39%
3	7219	Cold-rolled Flat products of stainless steel	All Grades, All Series except the exclusions as per Note below	Korea RP	Korea RP	POSCO	Hyundai Corporation and Daewoo International Corporation	5.39%
4	7219	Cold-rolled Flat products of stainless steel	All Grades, All Series except the exclusions as per Note below	Korea RP	Korea RP	Any combination other than above combination		13.44%
5	7219	Cold-rolled Flat products of stainless steel	All Grades, All Series except the exclusions as per Note below	Korea RP	Any	Any	Any	13.44%
6	7219	Cold-rolled Flat products of stainless steel	All Grades, All Series except the exclusions as per Note below	Any country other than the subject countries/territories	Korea RP	Any	Any	13.44%
7	7219	Cold-rolled Flat products of stainless steel	All Grades, All Series except the exclusions as per Note below	Chinese Taipei	Any	Any	Any	15.93%
8	7219	Cold-rolled Flat products of stainless steel	All Grades, All Series except the exclusions as per Note below	Any country other than the subject countries/territories	Chinese Taipei	Any	Any	15.93%
9	7219	Cold-rolled Flat products of stainless steel	All Grades, All Series except the exclusions as per Note below	South Africa	South Africa	Columbus Stainless (Pty) Ltd.	Columbus Stainless (Pty) Ltd.	12.34%

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10	7219	Cold-rolled Flat products of stainless steel	All Grades, All Series except the exclusions as per Note below	South Africa	South Africa	Any combination other than above combination		36.91%
11	7219	Cold-rolled Flat products of stainless steel	All Grades, All Series except the exclusions as per Note below	South Africa	Any	Any	Any	36.91%
12	7219	Cold-rolled Flat products of stainless steel	All Grades, All Series except the exclusions as per Note below	Any country other than subject countries/territories	South Africa	Any	Any	36.91%
13	7219	Cold-rolled Flat products of stainless steel	All Grades, All Series except the exclusions as per Note below	Thailand	Thailand	POSCO Thainox	POSCO Thainox and Hyundai Corporation	4.58%
14	7219	Cold-rolled Flat products of stainless steel	All Grades, All Series except the exclusions as per Note below	Thailand	Thailand	Any combination other than above combination		5.39%
15	7219	Cold-rolled Flat products of stainless steel	All Grades, All Series except the exclusions as per Note below	Thailand	Any	Any	Any	5.39%
16	7219	Cold-rolled Flat products of stainless steel	All Grades, All Series except the exclusions as per Note below	Any country other than the subject countries/territories	Thailand	Any	Any	5.39%
17	7219	Cold-rolled Flat products of stainless steel	All Grades, All Series except the exclusions as per Note below	USA	Any	Any	Any	9.47%
18	7219	Cold-rolled Flat products of stainless steel	All Grades, All Series except the exclusions as per Note below	Any country other than the subject countries/territories	USA	Any	Any	9.47%
19	7219	Cold-rolled Flat products of stainless steel	All Grades, All Series except the exclusions as per Note below	European Union	European Union	Acerinox Europa SAU, Spain	Acerinox Europa SAU, Spain	29.41%

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20	7219	Cold-rolled Flat products of stainless steel	All Grades, All Series except the exclusions as per Note below	European Union	European Union	Any combination other than the above combination		52.56%
21	7219	Cold-rolled Flat products of stainless steel	All Grades, All Series except the exclusions as per Note below	European Union	Any	Any	Any	52.56%
22	7219	Cold-rolled Flat products of stainless steel	All Grades, All Series except the exclusions as per Note below	Any country other than the subject countries/territories	European Union	Any	Any	52.56%

Source: Ministry of Commerce