

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF STEEL
RAJYA SABHA
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FOR ANSWER ON 04.04.2025

IMPORT OF STEEL AND ITS DOMESTIC PRODUCTION

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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the total import of steel in India for the last five years, country-wise and year-wise;
- (b) the details of domestic production of steel in India for last five years, year-wise;
- (c) the steps taken by the Ministry to ensure the quality of the steel imported is meeting the standard requirements, the details thereof; and
- (d) the reasons for surge in steel imports and the steps taken by the Ministry to ensure provision of necessary infrastructure for domestic production?

ANSWER

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

- (a) The details of import of finished steel in India for the last five years, country-wise and year-wise is placed at **Annexure**.
- (b) The details of domestic crude steel production for the last five years, year-wise is given below:-

Domestic Crude Steel Production	
Year	Quantity (in MnT)
2019-20	109.14
2020-21	103.54
2021-22	120.29
2022-23	127.20
2023-24	144.30

Source: Joint Plant Committee (JPC); MnT=million tonnes

(c)&(d): Steel is a deregulated sector and the government acts as a facilitator by creating a conducive policy environment for the development of steel sector in the country. The decision regarding import and export are taken by steel companies based on techno-commercial considerations and market dynamics.

Government has taken steps to ensure that only quality steel is produced in the country or imported from outside. In this direction, 151 BIS standards have been notified and have been covered by Quality Control Orders (QCOs) by Ministry of Steel to ensure that only quality steel is made available to the end users & the public at large.

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The Government has taken following steps to encourage domestic steel production:-

- (i) Domestically Manufactured Iron & Steel Products (DMI&SP) Policy for promoting 'Made in India' steel for Government procurement.
- (ii) Implementation of Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for Specialty Steel to promote the manufacturing of 'Specialty Steel' within the country and reduce imports by attracting capital investments.

Country-wise and Year-wise import of finished Steel during last five year

IMPORT OF FINISHED STEEL ('000 tonnes)					
Country	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
ARGENTINA	26	7	1	0	0
AUSTRALIA	4	2	1	0	1
AUSTRIA	13	71	9	10	52
BAHARAIN	10	14	5	1	3
BELGIUM	74	56	28	33	17
BRAZIL	23	5	6	3	1
CANADA	20	17	10	11	6
CHINA	1207	843	833	1407	2687
CZECH REP	2	0	1	2	4
DENMARK	3	2	2	1	1
FINLAND	9	5	5	7	6
FRANCE	56	121	58	77	15
GERMANY	135	146	151	112	80
INDONESIA	464	79	241	148	94
ITALY	81	33	34	31	23
JAPAN	1018	560	664	841	1274
KAZAKHSTAN	3	11	1	6	0
KOREA	2687	1947	2009	2228	2670
KUWAIT	8	3	3	3	9
MALAYSIA	51	42	8	20	6
NEPAL	6	6	9	59	120
NETHERLANDS	11	20	13	4	3
NEWZELAND	1	1	0	1	1
OMAN	4	12	5	7	11
POLAND	8	5	7	6	3
PORTUGAL	2	1	2	2	0
ROMANIA	3	1	1	2	17
RUSSIA	71	63	55	313	53
SAUDI ARABIA	8	36	14	9	39
SINGAPORE	139	43	8	6	4
SLOVENIA	11	7	6	4	1
SOUTH AFRICA	22	15	8	5	7
SPAIN	32	20	27	21	5
SWEDEN	23	27	39	48	20
SWITZERLAND	1	1	1	1	1
TAIWAN	165	186	194	163	185
THAILAND	52	50	25	53	58
TURKEY	5	8	2	3	3
U.K.	17	11	6	5	4
UAE	21	21	24	12	52
UKRAINE	84	31	22	7	1
USA	65	54	29	17	20
VIETNAM	86	133	75	320	737
OTHERS	39	39	26	11	27
TOTAL	6768	4752	4669	6022	8320
Source: Joint Plant Committee (JPC)					
