

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF STEEL

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**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.122**  
FOR ANSWER ON 22/11/2012

**STEEL PRODUCTION IN THE COUNTRY**

122. SHRI PRAKASH JAVADEKAR:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of steel capacity and production since 2006;
- (b) the reasons for declining steel production; and
- (c) the action Government intends to take to increase the steel production?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA)

(a) Data on crude steel capacity and production in the country from 2006-07 to 2011-12 is shown in the table below:

<b>India: Crude Steel (million tonnes or mt)</b>		
<b>Year</b>	<b>Capacity</b>	<b>Production</b>
2006-07	56.843	50.817
2007-08	59.845	53.857
2008-09	66.343	58.437
2009-10	75.001	65.839
2010-11	80.363	70.671
2011-12*	89.289	73.792

Source: JPC; \*provisional

(b) Data on year-to-year change in crude steel production as shown in para (a) does not indicate any decline.

(c) Steel is a de-regulated sector. The Government promotes/encourages growth of steel industry through suitable policy measures based on its assessment of industry performance. Public Sector Undertakings like Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) and Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL) have launched their own expansion/modernization programmes to augment steel production capacity and adopt modern technology which is energy efficient, cost effective and environment friendly.

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