GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STEEL

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PRODUCTION OF STEEL BY DIFFERENT COMPANIES

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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of steel being produced, presently, in the country, companywise;

(b) whether the demand for steel is rapidly increasing in the country;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the concrete measures being taken by Government to meet the demand for steel?

ANSWER

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THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(a) Provisional data released by Joint Plant Committee (JPC) indicates that India produced 65.06 million tonnes of crude steel during April-January 2012-13. The quantum of steel produced in the country is detailed below:-

Crude Steel Production ('000t)			
Producer / Producer-Group	AprJan. 2012-13*	AprJan. 2011-12*	% change*
SAIL Plants			
BSP	4245	4049	4.8
DSP	1670	1577	5.9
RSP	1843	1785	3.2
BSL	3155	3035	4.0
ISP	116	285	-59.3
ASP	124	170	-27.1
SSP	58	82	-29.3
VISL	47	75	-37.3
TOTAL SAIL	11258	11058	1.8
RINL	2532	2577	-1.7
Tata Steel	6597	5928	11.3
Total : Main Producers	20387	19563	4.2
JSW Steel	7140	6179	15.6
JSW Ispat	2282	2077	9.9
Essar Steel	3398	3655	-7.0
Jindal Steel & Power	2500	2233	12.0
Total: Majors	15320	14144	8.3
Other Producers	29352	27915	5.1
Total Crude Steel Production	65059	61622	5.6
Source: JPC; * provisional			

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(b)&(c): Domestic demand for steel is reflected in the trends in real consumption of total finished steel (alloy + non-alloy), which increased at a CAGR of 8.7% in the last five years. However, due to current slowdown in the domestic market, real consumption of total finished steel has reported a growth of 4.1% (provisional) during April-January 2012-13 over the same period of last year.

(d) Steel is a deregulated sector and decisions on setting up new steel plants is taken by companies based on national and international market conditions. In order to promote the competitive production and capacity growth of the steel industry, the Government has taken the following steps:

- (i) The Public Sector Undertakings (PSUs) namely, Steel Authority of India Ltd. (SAIL), Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Ltd. (RINL) & NMDC Ltd., are in the process of implementing significant expansion in the crude / finished steel capacities in their respective brownfield / Greenfield locations.
- (ii) An Inter Ministerial Group (IMG) has been set up by the Government for effective coordination and to expedite implementation of various investment projects in the steel sector.
- (iii) Import of critical raw materials for steel industry such as coking coal, noncoking coal, scrap etc. are subject to zero or very low levels of customs duty.
- (iv) To encourage domestic value addition and improve domestic iron ore availability, duty on export of iron ore has been increased to 30 per cent.
- (v) The Ministry of Steel routinely consults the industry to be apprised of the constraints to growth and recommends necessary corrective measures as and when necessary, to other concerned ministries.
