

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF STEEL

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.729**  
FOR ANSWER ON 29/11/2012

**COOPERATION IN STEEL SECTOR WITH AUSTRALIA**

729. SHRI NAND KUMAR SAI:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India and Australia have held discussion to strengthen and cooperation in steel sector;
- (b) if so, whether the Australian High Commission to India has held discussion with the Union Minister in this regard;
- (c) if so, the details of the issues raised and discussed during the said meeting; and
- (d) the details of the issues on which both the countries are agreed for cooperation?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA)

(a)to(d): Yes, Sir. A meeting was held at the level of Steel Minister with the Australian High Commission on 22.5.2012. During the meeting, among other things, issue of declaration and certification of force majeure clause in Australian Commercial contracts was discussed.

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