

(PDS). The allocation of commodities through PDS is supplemental in nature and is not intended to meet the entire requirements of any State/UT. The commodities are issued at fixed Central Issue Prices. The Central Government, from time to time, reviews the functioning of the PDS in various States/UTs so as to ensure regular and adequate availability of these commodities to the consumers.

(d) and (e). The Central Government has no proposal to supply Janata Cloth through PDS.

#### Import of Steel

941. SHRI P.R. DASMUNSI : Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state :

(a) the quantity of steel imported during each of the last three years, and the cost involved therein.

(b) the name of importers during these years; and

(c) the countries from which such imports have been made?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINISTER OF MINES (SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA) : (a) The details of saleable steel imports during the last three years are as follows :

Year	Quantity (in '000 tonnes)	Value (Rs. in crores)
1993-94	1153.1	1603
1994-95	1932.6	2536
1995-96 (Prov.)	1864.4	3175

(b) The names of some of the major importers during these years are given in the Statement enclosed.

(c) The countries from which major imports have been made are: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, China, CIS, Czech, E.C., Finland, France, Germany, Holland, Hungary, Iran, Italy, Japan, Korea, Kuwait, Mexico, Poland, Romania, Singapore, Slovak Rep., South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Tanzania, Turkey, U.K., USA and Venezuela.

#### Names of the major importers

1. Aryan Overseas Pvt. Ltd., Bombay.
2. Ashok Leyland Ltd., Madras.
3. BHEL.
4. Bajaj Auto Ltd., Pune.
5. Bharat Heavy Plates and Vessels, Vizag.
6. Commet Steels Ltd., Bombay.
7. Crompton Greaves Ltd., Bombay.
8. Graham Firth Steel Products India Ltd., Bombay.
9. Indian Oil Corporation Limited.
10. Jindal Iron and Steel Co. Ltd., Maharashtra.
11. Jindal Strips Pvt. Ltd., Thane.

12. Kaira Can Co. Ltd., Bombay.
13. Khanna and Company, Bombay.
14. Larsen and Tubro Ltd., Bombay.
15. Lawkim Ltd., Bombay.
16. Loyds Steel Industries Ltd., Bombay.
17. LML Ltd. Kanpur, U.P.
18. Mahindra and Mahindra Ltd., Bombay.
19. Maruti Udyog Ltd., Gurgaon.
20. Metalman Pipe Manufacturing Company (P) Ltd., Indore.
21. Nagarjuna Signode Ltd., Hyderabad.
22. Nathani Steel (P) Ltd. Bombay.
23. Nippon Denro Ispat Ltd., Nagpur.
24. O.N.G.C. Ltd.
25. Pennar Steels Ltd., Hyderabad.
26. SAIL, Salem Steel Ltd., Tamil Nadu.
27. Shetron Metals Ltd., Bangalore.
28. Shree Precoated Steels Ltd., Bombay.
29. Shree Sarbati Steel Tubes Ltd., Madras.
30. Sipta Coated Steel Ltd., Bombay.
31. Special Steels Ltd., Bombay.
32. Steelco Gujarat Ltd., Baroda.
33. Tata Engg. and Locomotive Co. Ltd., Pune.
34. Tinplate Company of India Ltd. Calcutta.
35. Trans-Freight Containers Pvt. Ltd., Bombay.
36. Tube Products of India, Madras.
37. Usha Martin Industries Ltd., Calcutta.
38. Uttam Steel Ltd., Bombay.
39. Vijay Electrical, Hyderabad.
40. Wheels India Limited, Madras.

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#### Production of Sugar

942. DR. MAHADEEPAK SINGH SHAKYA :  
 PROF. PREM SINGH CHANDUMAJRA :  
 SHRI SARAT PATTANAYAK :  
 DR. RAMESH CHAND TOMAR :  
 SHRI RADHA MOHAN SINGH :  
 SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA :  
 SHRI DEVI BUX SINGH :  
 SHRI PINAKI MISRA :

Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state :

(a) the requirement of sugar and targets fixed for the production of sugar during the current crushing year, State-wise;

(b) the estimated quantity of sugar produced by various sugar mills so far, State-wise.

(c) whether the production of sugarcane is far more than the installed capacity of sugar production.