

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2584
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RESTRICTIONS ON EXPORT OF STEEL TO USA
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the steel industry has restricted its export to the United States of America during the year 2002-2003;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) the quantum and the value of steel exported to USA during the above period in comparison to previous two years; and
- (d) the countries to which export of steel is proposed to be cut and if so, to what extent?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) The question does not arise, in view of (a) above.

(c) The quantity and value of steel exports covered under ITC Codes:7201, 7206, 7207, 7208, 7209, 7210, 7212, 7213, 7214, 7215, 7216, 7217, 7218,7219,7220,7221,7222,7223,7224,7225,7226,7227,7228,7229 and 7302 to United States of America during the years 2000-01, 2001-02 and April 2002 to September 2002 are given below:

2000-01 2001-02 April - September 2002#

Quantity Value Quantity Value Quantity Value

(in Tonnes) (in Rs. lakhs) (in Tonnes) (in Rs. lakhs) (in Tonnes) (in Rs. lakhs)

484193 96607.8 201653 56486.9 272772 63462.7

Source: DGCI & S.

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(d) Apart from USA, some of the other developed countries like the EU and Canada have initiated/ imposed certain trade measures against export of steel from India. However, exports of finished and semi finished steel by main and secondary producers have registered positive growth of 30% and 55% respectively during the period April 2002 to January 2003 as compared to the performance of corresponding period last year.