

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA**

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TAB ON IMPORT OF STEEL
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether several domestic steel majors have alleged large scale dumping by China and East-European countries;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to curb the import of steel; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI A. SAI PRATHAP)

(a)&(b): The domestic steel industry had filed the following two petitions in the recent past with the Directorate General of Anti Dumping & Allied Services (DGAD&AS) under Department of Commerce seeking anti dumping investigations against import of steel into the country:-

(i) The first investigation was initiated by DGAD&AS on 25.11.2008 against import of cold rolled products originating or exported from China, Japan, South Korea, European Union, South Africa, Thailand, and USA. The investigation was initiated on the basis of a petition filed by M/s Jindal Stainless Steel Ltd. The Designated Authority in its Final Findings notified on 24/11/2009 has confirmed the provisional findings and recommended imposition of anti dumping duty at varying rates from \$12.74 to \$2254.64 per tonne depending on the type of steel, the country of manufacture, the origin of import, and the producer.

(ii) The second investigation was initiated on 28.11.2008 against import of hot rolled products originating or exported from China, Indonesia, Iran, Japan, Kazakhstan, Malaysia, Philippines, Romania, Russia, South Africa, Saudi Arabia, South Korea, Thailand, Turkey and Ukraine. The application for the investigation was filed by M/s Essar Steel Limited, Ispat Industries Limited, and JSW Steel Limited. The investigation has been terminated on the request of the domestic industry vide the notification issued by the Designated Authority on 11.08.2009.

(c)&(d): As per the extant Foreign Trade Policy, import of major categories of steel into country is 'free' and Ministry of Steel has no proposal to curb import of steel.