

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
STEEL  
LOK SABHA**

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CATEGORY OF CONSUMERS OF STEEL

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**Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the steel consumers have been divided into various categories;
- (b) if so, the category-wise details thereof and the reasons for such categorisation;
- (c) whether the Government has identified the consumers for categorisation and if so, the basis thereof;
- (d) whether the demand of some category of consumers are not being met and if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA)

(a)&(b): There is no formal categorization of steel consumers. However, the major areas of steel consumption in the country are:-

1. Infrastructure
2. Construction
3. Capital goods
4. Automobiles
5. Consumers goods
6. Low cost steel housing
- 7 Steel agricultural implements
8. Community facilities like halls, toilets, bus stops etc.
9. Pre-fabricated steel structure

(c) No, Madam.

(d)&(e): As per provisional data released by Joint Plant Committee for the year 2010-11, domestic production of finished steel was 66 million tonnes as against the domestic demand of finished steel which was 65.6 million tonnes. However, some varieties of value added finished steel are imported in small quantities as these are not produced domestically in adequate quantities.