

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
STEEL  
LOK SABHA**

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

- (a) the number of steel based industries in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the quantum of raw material exported which is required for manufacturing of steel during the last three years;
- (c) the quantum of manufactured steel products exported and imported during the last three years; and
- (d) the efforts made by the Government to facilitate the indigenous manufacturing of such steel products which are imported in the country?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STEEL(SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA)

(a) A list of number of units producing crude steel in the country is at Annexure-I. However, Ministry of Steel does not maintain record of steel based industries in the country.

(b) Data on export of iron ore, the major raw material required for manufacturing of steel for the last three years is as follows:

Item	(Million Tonne)		
	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11

Iron Ore	105.86	117.37	97.66#
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(Source: MMTC, Department of Commerce) #Estimated

(c) The quantum of manufactured steel products exported and imported during the last three years are:

Item	Year	Million Tonne	
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	Import	Export
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Finished Steel	2008-09	5.84	4.44
(alloy+ non-alloy)			
	2009-10	7.38	3.25

	2010-11#	6.80#	3.46
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Provisional (Source: JPC)

(d) Steel is a deregulated sector and the role of the Government is that of a facilitator. Accordingly, the growth of steel sector in the country is market driven which takes its own path as per the demand and supply matrix of the market.

In its facilitator's role some of the major steps taken by the Government to give boost to indigenous steel manufacturing are as follows:

# Imposition of 20% export duty on iron ore

# Zero duty on export of pellets

# 5 to 10% import duty on steel

# Imposition of 15% export duty on iron and steel melting scrap

# Total exemptions of coking coal/met coke from import duty