# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA STEEL LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:133 ANSWERED ON:19.11.2009 RISE IN PRICES OF STEEL Hussain Shri Syed Shahnawaz

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

- (a) whether there has been unexpected rise in the prices of steel at once after continuous decline trend;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has conducted any enquiry in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the outcome thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon?

## **Answer**

### MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI VIRBHADRA SINGH)

(a)&(b): No, Madam. There has not been any unexpected rise in the prices of steel other than the periodic market fluctuations. Moreover, steel is a deregulated item, where the price of steel is decided by the market, depending upon demand-supply situations, raw material prices and the landed cost of steel imports. Details of indicative retail market price of some of the major category of steel items, on month-wise basis for a period over last six months is given below:

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Retail Price in Delhi Market (Rs./Tonne)#
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H R Coil 34289 34459 35443 35633 35503 35343 (2.0mm)
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C R Coil 36568 36848 38374 39774 39214 39014 (0.63mm)

TMT 35479 33939 32503 32818 32800 32258 (10mm)

Pig Iron 23200 23300 22800 24500 24070 24000

Wire Rod (8mm) 35249 33604 32334 32404 32390 31820

#### Indicative

# Price as on 15th of every month, inclusive of all taxes and duties at Delhi/NCR. ## November 2009 Price as on 11.11.09.

(c)&(d): In view of the reply above, question does not arise.