

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

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IMPORT OF CHINESE STEEL  
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**Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government has a policy for stringent quality check on cheap Chinese steel entering the Indian markets;
- (b) if so, the details thereof indicating the imports of steel from China as well as its quality audit carried out during each of the last three years;
- (c) whether the Government proposes to impose financial curbs including anti-dumping duty on import of cheaper Chinese steel into the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

(a) & (b) India, being a member of World Trade Organization (WTO), cannot maintain country specific quality checks. However, to ensure that only quality steel is imported in India, Ministry of Steel has notified Steel and Steel Product (Quality Control) Order on 12.03.2012, as last amended on 04.12.2014. Data pertaining to import of Iron & Steel under Chapter 72 and 73 of Indian Trade Classification (Harmonised System), 2012, Schedule - I (Import Policy) from China during the period 2012-2013, 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 (provisional) is as under:

Country	Qty in Ton		Value in Rs Crore		2014-15	
	2012-13	2013-14	2012-13	2013-14		
	(Apr`14 to Feb`15)					
	Qty	Val.	Qty	Val	Qty	Val
CHINA	1770193	8135.54	1120652	5921.24	3522779	15534.84

Note: Figures for 2014-15 (Apr to Feb) are provisional.

(c) & (d) Yes Madam. The details of anti-dumping investigations on imports of Steel from China are as below:-

Product	Action taken/Proposed to be taken
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Cold Rolled Flat Products of Stainless Steel	Anti-dumping duty on cold Rolled Flat Products imported from China and other countries was in force since 22nd April 2009 till 21st April 2015. The Sunset Review is in progress and is scheduled to be completed in October 2015.
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Hot Rolled flat product of Stainless Steel of 304 Grade	Anti-dumping duty on imports of Chinese Hot Rolled steel flat Products has been recommended by the Designated Authority on 9th March 2015. Matter is under consideration of Department of Revenue.
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