GOVERNMENT OF INDIA STEEL **LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4029 ANSWERED ON:27.03.2017 Steel Production, Export and Imports

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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of steel production and its consumption during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) the details of various types of steel imported and foreign exchange spent thereon during the said period, country-wise;
- (c) the details of various types of steel exported and foreign exchange earned therefrom during the said period, country-wise; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to increase steel production, consumption, export and reduce steel imports in the country?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR STEEL (SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI)

(a) The details of steel production and consumption during each of the last three years and current year is detailed below:-

Year Total Finished Steel (mt.) Production for sale Real Consumption 2013-14 87.67 74.09 2014-15 92.16 76.99 2015-16 90.98 81.52 April-Jan.2016-17 * 83.01 68.89 April-Jan.2015-16 74.84 66.59 % change* 10.9 3.5

Source: Joint Plant Committee (JPC); *provisional

(b) The country-wise details of various types of steel imported in terms of both quantity and value are at Annexure - I & II respectively. The details of value are available in Indian Currency of Rupees only. Details of Import of total finished steel are as under:

Total Finished Steel (alloy + non-alloy) Import Year Qty. (mt.) Value (Rs. crore) 2013-14 5.45 30416 2014-15 9.32 44893 2015-16 11.71 45044 April-Jan.2016-17* 6.10 28560

Source: Joint Plant Committee (JPC); *provisional

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(c) The export of total finished steel and foreign exchange (in Rupees) in last three years and current year April- January, 2016-17 is given below:-

Total Finished Steel (alloy/stainless + non-alloy) Export Year Qty. (mt) Value (Rs. crore) 2013-14 5.98 29747 2014-15 5.59 29298 2015-16 4.08 22658 April-Jan., 2016-17* 5.87 25241

Source: JPC; .*provisional; mt=million tones

Details of category / country-wise exports of steel in terms of quantity is at Annexure - III.

- (d) The Government has taken the following steps to increase steel production, consumption, exports and reduce steel imports in the country:-
- i) Modified of GFR guidelines to incorporate life cycle cost analysis while formulating the design and specification in the public / PPP projects.

- ii) Constituted of Steel Consumer Council in January, 2017.
- iii) Hired consultants for "Social Media Marketing" to promote steel usage and educate on the various avenues of steel usage and its advantages.
- iv) Constituted of 4 Task Forces in conjunction with relevant ministries for increasing steel usage in the Railways, Urban development, Road Transport & Highways and Shipbuilding sector.
- v) Closely monitors the ongoing expansion plans as committed by PSUs, which has led to creation of new capacities and modernization and expansion of old ones. Since April, 2015, 16 MT of crude steel production capacity has been added to increase the overall crude steel capacity to 126 MT (as on 1st February, 2016).
- vi) Has levied Safeguards & Anti-Dumping duty on various steel products to protect the industry from Unfair Trade Practices.
