GOVERNMENT OF INDIA STEEL LOK SABHA

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EXPORT IMPORT OF STEEL
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of total quantity of steel produced and domestic demand and supply achieved in the country during each of the last three years and the current year;
- (b) the details of the total quantity of steel exported and imported and the foreign exchange earned/spent thereon during the said period, country-wise;
- (c) whether the import of steel has adversely affected the domestic steel industry; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government to protect the interests of the domestic steel industry?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI)

(a) Data on India's crude steel production during the last three years and April-October 2014 is provided in the table below:-

Indian Crude Steel Production

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Year Quantity in million tonnes (mt)
2011-12 74.29
2012-13 78.42
2013-14 81.69
April-October 2014# 48.49
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Source: Joint Plant Committee (JPC), # Provisional

Data on Production for Sale and Real Consumption of finished steel during the last three years and April-October 2014 is provided in the table below:-

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Figures in million tonnes)
Year Production Real
for Sale Consumption
2011-12 75.69 71.02
2012-13 81.68 73.48
2013-14 87.67 74.09
April-October 2014# 50.56 43.14
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Source: Joint Plant Committee (JPC), # Provisional

(b) Data on imports and exports of total finished steel- both quantity and amount spent/earned on imports and exports for the last three years and the current year is provided in the table below:-

Total Finished Steel(alloy+non-alloy)

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Year Imports Exports
Quantity Value Quantity Value
2011-12 6.86 32888 4.59 19922
2012-13 7.93 39290 5.37 26450
2013-14 5.45 30416 5.98 29747
April- October 2014# 4.74 24207 3.20 17154
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Source: JPC

Note: Quantity is in million tonns (mt.) and value is in Rs. Crore # Provisional

Detailed country wise data on volume of exports for the last three years and current year (April-October, 2014) is provided in Annexure-I. The detailed country wise data on volume of imports for the last three years and current year (April-October, 2014) is provided in Annexure-II.

(c)&(d): Production of finished steel has grown approximately @5.55% for the last four years. At the same time import of finished steel products has decreased over this period. Hence it may be said that import of steel has generally not affected domestic steel industry significantly.