

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF STEEL

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2089
FOR ANSWER ON 08/03/2021

USE OF RECYCLED STEEL

2089. DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government proposes to allow steel from recycled scrap to be used in road and bridges projects;
- (b) if so, whether this is likely to help to maintain prices of steel in the country;
- (c) whether there is any cost advantage of steel made from recycled scrap when compared to steel made from iron ore and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

(a) Yes, Sir. As per the request of Ministry of Steel, Ministry of Road Transport & Highways vide letter No.RW/NH-34066/09/2017-S&R(B) dated 12.02.2021 has decided to allow steel produced from ore / billets / pellets / melting or scrap subject to fulfillment of the relevant Indian Standards IS 432 & IS 1786, for the construction of roads & bridges.

(b)&(c): Steel being a deregulated sector, the domestic steel price is determined by various factors like capacity utilization, demand & supply, trends in prices of various inputs including raw material, energy, labour etc. and also influenced by global conditions. It may be added that import duty on steel scrap, which is used to make steel in Electric Arc Furnaces/ Electric Induction Furnaces has been reduced from 2.5% to zero in the Union Budget 2021-22, helping improve competitiveness of steel made from scrap.
