

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF STEEL

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DIFFICULTIES FACED BY STEEL SECTOR

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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the steel creation yield in India from 2013-14 to 2020-21;
- (b) the adjusted examination of yield with worldwide creation and India's own creation in the recent five years;
- (c) the difficulties faced by the Steel business during COVID19;
- (d) the subtleties of import and fare of steel from 2013-14 to 2020-21; and
- (e) whether the Government has made any regulations to control costs, import, fare and creation and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

- (a) The details of crude steel capacity and production in the country for the period 2013-14 to 2020-21(April-January) are as following:-

Year	Crude Steel (in million tonnes)	
	Capacity	Production
2013-14	102.26	81.69
2014-15	109.85	88.98
2015-16	121.97	89.79
2016-17	128.28	97.94
2017-18	137.97	103.13
2018-19	142.24	110.92
2019-20	142.30	109.14
April-January, 2020-21	142.30	83.31*

Source: Joint Plant Committee; *provisional

- (b) The details of crude steel production in the world and in the country for period 2016 -2020 on calendar year basis are as following:-

Year	Crude steel production (in million tonnes)		
	World	India	% share of India in World Production
2016	1632.78	95.48	5.8
2017	1735.88	101.46	5.8
2018	1825.49	109.27	6.0
2019	1846.39	111.35	6.0
2020*	1827.81	100.13	5.5

Source: worldsteel, *provisional

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(c) Due to COVID-19 related lockdown restrictions, the steel companies faced issues such as raw material scarcity and transportation related issues, limited availability of manpower and reduced demand of finished steel.

(d) The details of import of total finished steel by India in terms of quantity and value during period 2013-14 to 2020-21 (April-January) are as following:-

Year	Total Finished Steel (alloy & non-alloy)	
	Quantity (in million tonnes)	Value. (in Rs. Crores)
2013-14	5.45	30416
2014-15	9.32	44893
2015-16	11.71	45044
2016-17	7.22	34104
2017-18	7.48	39484
2018-19	7.84	49317
2019-20	6.77	44683
April-January, 2020-21*	3.79	25422
Source: Joint Plant Committee, *provisional		

(e) Steel, being a de-regulated sector, the domestic steel price is determined by various factors like demand and supply, trends in prices of raw materials and is also influenced by global conditions. To increase the domestic production, availability and usage of steel, the Government has taken following steps:-

- (i) Domestically Manufactured Iron & Steel Products (DMI&SP) Policy for promoting procurement of Made in India Steel.
- (ii) Steel Scrap Policy to enhance the availability of domestically generated scrap.
- (iii) Issuance of Steel Quality Control Orders to stop non-standardized steel manufacturing and import.
- (iv) Steel Import Monitoring System (SIMS) for advanced registration of steel imports.
- (v) Inclusion of 'Specialty Steel' under the recently announced Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme.
- (vi) Engagement with various stakeholders including industry associations and leaders of domestic steel industry to address their issues by the concerned Ministries/Departments of the Central Government and State Governments.
- (vii) Engagement with relevant stakeholders including from Railways, Defence, Petroleum and Natural Gas, Housing, Civil Aviation, Road Transport and Highways, Agriculture and Rural Development sectors to enhance the overall demand for steel in the country.
