

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF STEEL

RAJYA SABHA
STARRED QUESTION NO.*107
FOR ANSWER ON 04/05/2016

PROMOTION OF STEEL SECTOR

*107. SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether India is one of the fast moving steel producing countries in the world;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the average steel consumption of India is less in comparison to other developed/developing countries;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the corrective steps taken/being taken to promote the steel sector of the country?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a)to(e): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (A) TO (E) OF THE RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. *107 FOR ANSWER ON 04/05/2016 TABLED BY SHRI D. KUPENDRA REDDY, MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT REGARDING “PROMOTION OF STEEL SECTOR”

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. India is one of the fastest growing steel producing nations in the world. The average growth of crude steel production in the last three years had been 1.3% for the world on the whole and 5.3% for India. The data released by the World Steel Association (WSA), which is reported on a calendar year basis, indicates that India has improved its global ranking and has now become the 3rd largest producer of crude steel in the world during 2015 (details are shown in **Annexure-I**).

(c)&(d): The data released by the World Steel Association (WSA) indicates that India has been the 3rd largest finished steel consumer in the world during the last three years, preceded by China and the USA. The details are shown in **Annexure-II**. India's per-capita consumption of total finished steel stood at 59 kg. as compared to the world per-capita consumption of 217 kg. during the year 2014. The main reason for higher per-capita consumption of steel in developed countries is due to higher level of infrastructure and industrial development, as compared to developing countries.

(e) The following are the steps taken by the Government to promote the steel sector of the country:

- i. The Government has launched the 'Make-in-India' initiative to focus on manufacturing and infrastructure, which will help in promoting the demand and consumption of steel in the country.
- ii. The public sector enterprises in the steel sector have undertaken expansion and modernization of their steel plants to increase production of steel.
- iii. To ensure that only quality steel is produced and imported, Government has notified Steel and Steel Product (Quality Control) Orders dated 12.03.2012 and 04.12.2015.
- iv. Government has notified Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Amendment Act, 2015 to streamline grant of Mining Leases in order to maintain sufficient availability of raw materials for the various sectors including steel sector.
- v. To provide level playing field to the domestic steel producers, Government has imposed Minimum Import Price (MIP) on 173 steel products.

**Annexure-I referred to in Part (a) & (b) of Rajya Sabha Question No. * 107 due for answer
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Top 10 crude steel producers in the world								
2013			2014			2015*		
Rank	Country	Qty. (mt)	Rank	Country	Qty. (mt)	Rank	Country	Qty.(mt)
1	China	822	1	China	822.69	1	China	803.83
2	Japan	110.6	2	Japan	110.66	2	Japan	105.2
3	USA	87	3	USA	88.17	3	India	89.60
4	India	81.30	4	India	87.29	4	USA	78.92
5	Russia	69.0	5	South Korea	71.54	5	Russia	71.11
6	South Korea	66.1	6	Russia	71.46	6	South Korea	69.67
7	Germany	42.6	7	Germany	42.94	7	Germany	42.67
8	Turkey	34.7	8	Turkey	34.03	8	Brazil	33.24
9	Brazil	34.2	9	Brazil	33.89	9	Turkey	31.52
10	Ukraine	32.8	10	Ukraine	27.17	10	Ukraine	22.93

Source: World Steel Association, *provisional; mt=million tonnes

Annexure-II referred to in Part (c) & (d) of Rajya Sabha Question No. *107 due for answer on 04.05.2016

Top 10 finished steel consumers in the world								
2013			2014			2015*		
Rank	Country	Qty. (mt)	Rank	Country	Qty. (mt)	Rank	Country	Qty. (mt)
1	China	735	1	China	711	1	China	672
2	USA	96	2	USA	107	2	USA	96
3	India	74	3	India	76	3	India	80
4	Japan	65	4	Japan	68	4	Japan	63
5	South Korea	52	5	South Korea	56	5	South Korea	56
6	Russia	43	6	Russia	43	6	Russia	39.4
7	Germany	38	7	Germany	39	7	Germany	39
8	Turkey	31	8	Turkey	31	8	Turkey	34
9	Brazil	28	9	Brazil	26	9	Mexico	24
10	Italy	22	10	Italy	22	10	Brazil	21

Source: World Steel Association, *provisional; mt : million tonnes
