

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF STEEL
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2077
FOR ANSWER ON 07/08/2023

GREEN STEEL PRODUCTION

2077. SMT. PHULO DEVI NETAM:
DR. AMEE YAJNIK:
DR. L. HANUMANTHAI AH:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the manner in which Government will ensure that investment in green steel production will generate employment and not facilitate exploitative labour, the details thereof;

(b) whether Government has any permanent plan to guarantee high quality of steel is produced from scraped/recycled steel; and

(c) if so, the parameters Government would set up to maintain the quality of steel made from scraped/recycled sources and how Government would ensure that green and primary steel producers adhere to the same?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF STEEL

(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)

(a) Ministry of Steel constituted 13 Task Forces with engagement of industry, academia, think tanks, S&T bodies, different Ministries and other stakeholders to discuss, deliberate and recommend upon different levers of decarbonisation of steel sector. The Task Force on Skill Development is constituted to carry out discussions on skilling, up skilling and re-skilling of the workforce towards production of green steel. Thus, ensuring just transition of the steel sector.

(b)&(c): No Sir, at present there are no such proposals. However, Government has taken following steps to promote high quality of steel through scraped/recycled steel and to ensure steel producers' adherence to it:-

- (1) To ensure the quality product to the public at large, irrespective of input material, Ministry of Steel notified 145 steel and steel products' Indian Standards under the purview of Quality Control Order (QCO).
- (2) Steel Scrap Recycling Policy, 2019 enhances the availability of domestically generated scrap to reduce the consumption of coal in steel making.
- (3) Motor Vehicles (Registration and Functions of Vehicles Scrapping Facility) Rules September 2021, shall increase availability of scrap in the steel sector.
- (4) The steel sector has adopted the Best Available Technologies (BAT) available globally, in the modernization & expansions projects.
