

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF STEEL
RAJYA SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.3679
FOR ANSWER ON 04/04/2022

RECYCLING OF SCRAP STEEL

3679. SMT. SHANTA CHHETRI:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the measures taken with regards to steel scrap recycling in the country;
- (b) to what extent has it helped to enhance the availability of domestically generated scrap steel; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and, if not, the reasons therefor?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(SHRI RAM CHANDRA PRASAD SINGH)

(a) The Steel Scrap Recycling Policy was notified in the Gazette of India on 7th November, 2019. The Policy provides a framework to facilitate and promote establishment of metal scrapping centers in India for scientific processing & recycling of ferrous scrap generated from various sources. The policy framework provides standard guidelines for collection, dismantling and shredding activities in an organized, safe and environmentally sound manner in order to curb pollution and prevent health hazards.

Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has formulated the Vehicle Scrapping Policy that includes a system of incentives/dis-incentives for creation of an ecosystem to phase out older, unfit polluting vehicles.

Government of India has notified the Hazardous and Other Wastes (Management and Transboundary Movement) [HOWM] Rules, 2016 to ensure safe storage, treatment and disposal of hazardous and other wastes in an environmentally sound manner without causing adverse effect to environment and human health.

MSTC Limited, a Central Public Sector Enterprise (CPSE) under the Ministry of Steel has set up 3 collection and dismantling centres for vehicles and white goods, under a joint venture with Mahindra Accelo called Mahindra MSTC Recycling Pvt. Limited (CERO).

(b)&(c): The Steel Scrap Recycling Policy framework provides enabling provisions to facilitate increased availability of domestically generated scrap for steel production to reduce dependence on import of scrap and import substitution. The data on import of scrap in the country for the last three (3) years and during April-February, 2021-22 indicate that import of scrap has reduced, which is as under: -

Steel Scrap	
Year	Import (in Million Tonne)
2018-19	6.56
2019-20	6.57
2020-21	5.57
Source: Joint Plant Committee (JPC).	
