

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2729
TO BE ANSWERED ON 12th MARCH, 2018

STEEL EXPORT

2729. SHRI SATAV RAJEEV:
SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE:
SHRI MOHITE PATIL VIJAYSINH SHANKARRAO:
SHRI P.R. SUNDARAM:
DR. C. GOPALAKRISHNAN:
DR. HEENA VIJAYKUMAR GAVIT:
SHRI DHANANJAY MAHADIK:

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री) be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantum of steel and steel products exported to the United States (US) during the last three years and the current year;
- (b) whether the US Department of Commerce has recommended to impose steep tariffs on steel imports from India;
- (c) if so, the details thereof along with the reaction of the Government thereto and its likely impact on Indian steel exports;
- (d) whether the Government has taken up the matter with the US Government and if so, the response of the US Government in this regard; and
- (e) the other steps taken by the Government to boost steel exports to other countries?

ANSWER

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री सी. आर. चौधरी)

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
(SHRI C. R. CHAUDHARY)

- (a) The quantum of steel and steel products exported to the United States (US) during the last three years and the current year is as under:

Quantity (in thousand kgs.)			
2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18 (Apr-Nov)
975758	390839	541571	445226

(Source: DGCI&S)

(b) to (d): As per the US Department of Commerce (U.S. DOC) Report dated 11.01.2018 available in public domain, the Bureau of Industry and Security, Office of Technology Evaluation, U.S. DOC after carrying out investigations under domestic law has recommended alternative measures, which include levy of Global Tariff and Global Quota and Tariffs on a sub set of 12 Countries, including India. Implementation of the said measures may impact steel exports of these countries. However, no formal notification has been issued by the US Government, which can be taken up.

(e) The Government has taken several proactive measures to enhance steel production and increase the export of steel and steel products from the country, inter alia, including:

- i) A new National Steel Policy 2017 has been rolled out to enhance steelmaking capacity within the country;
- ii) Export oriented steel mills and steel hubs within each coastal economic zone, identified under Sagarmala Program, are being encouraged;
- iii) The 'Make-in-India' initiative has been launched to focus on manufacturing and infrastructure;
- iv) Assistance is provided under Market Access Initiative scheme to Indian exporters, Export Promotion Councils, apex trade bodies etc., for organising or participating in events in foreign countries for promotion of export of Indian products, including steel; etc.
