

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 2651**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 16.03.2023**

**DISCOUNTS TO MSME SECTOR**

2651. SHRI MADDILA GURUMOORTHY:

Will the Minister of MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has asked steel companies to provide discounts to Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) sector on purchase of steel;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has taken the steps to aid MSMEs in the secondary steel sector; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

MINISTER OF STATE FOR MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES  
(SHRI BHANU PRATAP SINGH VERMA)

(a) to (d): As informed by Ministry of Steel, the Government is continuously engaging with the secondary steel sector to address the issues faced by the sector such as discriminatory procurement policies by the end users, availability of raw materials such as iron ore, fuel and electricity and prices thereof, GST on input steel scrap etc. by coordinating with the stakeholders.

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