GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STEEL

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.927 FOR ANSWER ON 08/02/2021

REVENUE EARNED FROM STEEL

927. SHRIMATI PRATIMA MONDAL:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantity of steel being exported and the revenue earned therefrom during each of the last three years and the current year, country-wise;
- (b) whether the export oriented policy of steel is the primary cause for escalation of steel prices in the domestic market; and
- (c) if so, the details thereof and the corrective measures taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to bring down the prices?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)

- (a) The quantity of steel being exported and the revenue earned therefrom during each of the last three years and the current year country-wise are annexed at **Annexure-IA** and **Annexure-IB** respectively.
- (b) Steel, being a de-regulated sector, the domestic steel price is determined by various factors like demand and supply, trends in prices of raw materials and is also influenced by global conditions. The Important factors contributing to increase in prices in recent months inter alia include the demand-supply mismatch and the lock down following the Covid-19 pandemic with only partial resumption in economic activities across the globe, especially in Europe, Japan and South Korea.
- (c) The Government has taken steps to increase availability of steel by ramping up production of iron ore to help stabilise the prices. Government has also announced following measures in Budget 2021-22:-
- (i) Reduction in Basic Custom Duty on Semis, certain flat products of non-alloy steel and alloy steel, long products of non alloy, alloy and stainless steel to 7.5%.
- (ii) Reduction in Basic Custom Duty for specified period on Iron and Steel Scrap to "NIL".
- (iii) Reduction in Basic Custom Duty on raw material for manufacture of CRGO from 2.5% to "NIL".
- (iv) Temporary revocation of Anti-Dumping duty (ADD)/Countervailing Duty on (i) Straight Length Bars and Rods (ii) High-Speed Steel of Non-Cobalt Grade (iii) Aluminum-Zinc coated flat rolled steel product (iv) Cold rolled and hot rolled stainless steel products.
- (v) Revocation of CVD on Flat Products of Stainless Steel and discontinuation of ADD on Cold Rolled Flat Stainless Steel Products.

Expor	t of Total Fi	nished Stee	I (Quantity i	n '000 Ton)		
Country	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	April-December, 2020*		
Argentina	50	1	2	21		
Australia	26	49	18	22		
Bangladesh	149	115	184	131		
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Belgium	976	617	403	266		
Canada	50	53	60	26		
Chile	6	3	30	2		
China	26	3	73	2050		
Colombia	16	18	19	7		
Djibouti	38	46	47	2		
Ecuador	19	6	8	5		
Egypt	61	64	15	52		
Ethiopia	106	97	47	17		
France	9	17	27	1		
Germany	41	23	25	14		
Ghana	27	14	17	7		
Greece	33	10	33	30		
Indonesia	197	87	102	20		
Iran	63	8	3	1		
Italy	1239	833	793	579		
Japan	6	0	2	1		
Kenya	40	4	7	36		
Korea	43	60	29	17		
Kuwait	22	20	16	12		
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Madagascar	8	2	<u>-</u>	1 50		
Malaysia	363	206	168	50		
Mexico	118	36	20	15		
Myanmar	201	29	58	87		
Nepal	661	837	955	520		
Netherlands	52	29	27	17		
Oman	55	58	162	82		
Peru	33	3	2	3		
Philippines	51	2	25	1		
Poland	139	73	67	48		
Portugal	109	62	102	92		
Qatar	30	26	38	41		
Romania	34	26	43	39		
Russia	24	10	26	39		
Saudi Arabia	270	122	172	189		
Singapore	174	18	13	23		
Somalia	16	8	5	3		
South Africa	13	6	5 5	3 27		
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Spain	566		280	227		
Sri Lanka	172	85	141	100		
Sweden	16	3	6	3		
Taiwan	81	22	190	87		
Thailand	98	71	88	103		
Turkey	183	68	40	18		
United Kingdom (UK)	121	83	83	67		
UAE	715	680	865	666		
USA	325	98	51	20		
Vietnam	929	709	2337	1917		
Others	819	487	427	509		
Total	9620	6361	8355	8314		
*Provisional, Source: Joint Plant Committee (JPC)						

Annexure-IB

Expo	rt of Total Fi	nished Ste	el (Value in	₹ Crore)			
Country	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	April-December, 2020*			
Argentina	275	18	26	122			
Australia	173	313	158	173			
Bangladesh	613	539	700	552			
Belgium	4697	3671	2503	1376			
Canada	308	445	486	249			
Chile	53	28	189	18			
China	127	86	374	6049			
Colombia	109	130	97	40			
Djibouti	206	272	224	16			
Ecuador	109	43	44	29			
Egypt	238	407	124	333			
Ethiopia	557	635	303	108			
France	77	101	125	12			
Germany	608	421	441	265			
Ghana	153		81	42			
Greece	201	83 72	192	179			
Indonesia	1345 397	785 80	748	188 17			
Iran			39				
Italy	5286	4082	3508	2552			
Japan	27	5	22	12			
Kenya	157	25	39	128			
Korea	408	436	339	255			
Kuwait	104	123	75	57			
Madagascar	43	8	5	3			
Malaysia	1301	872	642	210			
Mexico	623	275	190	128			
Myanmar	672	116	182	276			
Nepal	2263	3458	3418	1837			
Netherlands	440	257	266	194			
Oman	193	276	667	397			
Peru	179	24	20	18			
Philippines	185	19	84	10			
Poland	879	535	570	425			
Portugal	3776	380	497	473			
Qatar	153	163	198	202			
Romania	202	169	266	247			
Russia	364	185	420	554			
Saudi Arabia	1207	571	803	862			
Singapore	581	94	63	91			
Somalia	88	51	30	14			
South Africa	122	72	62	114			
Spain	2530	1985	1366	935			
Sri Lanka	675	414	572	450			
Sweden	104	27	41	24			
Taiwan	370	142	657	312			
Thailand	368	353	342	371			
Turkey	868	368	278	205			
United Kingdom (UK)	561	451	387	273			
UAE UAE	2738	3143	3497	2580			
USA	1900	933	571	302			
Vietnam	3124	2594	7519	5941			
Others	3889	2417	2274	2495			
Total	46629	33153	36726	32718			
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*Provisional, Source: Joint Plant Committee (JPC)							