## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STEEL

## LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 284 FOR ANSWER ON 04.02.2025

## IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GREEN STEEL MISSION

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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the current status and timeline for the implementation of the Green Steel Mission, along with its estimated cost and funding sources;

(b) whether the Ministry has conducted any studies to assess the economic feasibility and competitiveness of green steel production in the country and if so, the details thereof;

(c) the progress made under the National Green Hydrogen Mission in integrating green hydrogen into steel production, including the status of pilot projects and expected outcomes;

(d) the mechanisms in place to ensure that Government agencies prioritize the procurement of green steel and the expected impact of such mandates on demand for green steel; and

(e) the steps being taken to support small and medium steel producers in transitioning to greener production technologies?

## ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE (SHRI BHUPATHIRAJU SRINIVASA VARMA) MINISTRY OF STEEL

(a) Ministry of Steel has not launched any Green Steel Mission.

(b) Ministry of Steel had constituted 14 Task Forces to discuss, deliberate and recommend upon the entire chain of decarbonisation of the steel industry.

(c) Under the National Green Hydrogen Mission of Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE), Ministry of Steel has awarded two pilot projects to produce DRI using 100% Hydrogen in vertical shaft and one pilot project to use hydrogen in existing Blast Furnace to reduce coal/coke consumption under this Mission.

(d) Ministry of Steel has not issued any policy guidelines for establishment of a mechanism to ensure mandatory procurement of green steel by the Government agencies.

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(e) Ministry of Steel has taken following additional steps/policies to encourage/support steel industry for transitioning to greener production technologies:

- i. Ministry has released the Taxonomy for Green Steel to provide standards for defining and categorizing the low emission steel, facilitating the green transition of the steel industry. It provides a framework for production of Green Steel, creation of market for green steel and seeking financial support.
- ii. Steel Scrap Recycling Policy, 2019, formulated by Ministry of Steel envisages enhancing the availability of domestically generated scrap to reduce the consumption of coal in steel making.
- Motor Vehicles (Registration and Functions of Vehicles Scrapping Facility) Rules September 2021 of Ministry of Road Transport & Highways envisages increasing availability of scrap in the steel sector.
- iv. National Solar Mission launched by Ministry of New and Renewable Energy in January, 2010 promotes the use of solar energy and helps to reduce the emission of steel industry.

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