

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF STEEL

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4034**  
FOR ANSWER ON 25.03.2025

**SELF RELIANCE IN STEEL PRODUCTION**

4034. SHRI DULU MAHATO:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether any plans being chalked out by the Government to support the goal of making India self-reliant in steel production;
- (b) the manner in which the Government is likely to help Jharkhand's MSMEs and small steel producers to compete in the global market;
- (c) the manner in which Green Steel and sustainability is likely to be incorporated into future policies; and
- (d) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

**ANSWER**

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

(a)&(b): Steel is a de-regulated sector and the government acts as a facilitator by creating a conducive policy environment for the development of the steel sector. The government has taken the following measures to improve raw material security, enhance R&D activities, reduce import dependence, and cost of production to support the goal of making India self-reliant in steel production and help MSMEs, small steel producers in the country, including Jharkhand:-

- i. Promotion of 'Made in India' Steel and Expanding Investments:-
  - a. Implementation of Domestically Manufactured Iron & Steel Products (DMI&SP) Policy for promoting 'Made in India' steel for Government procurement.
  - b. Launch of the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) Scheme for Specialty Steel to promote the manufacturing of 'Specialty Steel' within the country and reduce imports by attracting capital investments.
  - c. Union Budget has given thrust to infrastructure expansion which has increased steel consumption.
- ii. Improve Raw Material Availability and Reduce Raw Material Cost:-
  - a. Reduction in the Basic Customs Duty on Ferro Nickel, a raw material from 2.5 percent to zero, making it duty-free.
  - b. Extension of duty exemption on ferrous scrap up to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026, in the Budget 2024.
  - c. Notification of Steel Scrap Recycling Policy to enhance the availability of domestically generated ferrous scrap.

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d. Introduction of Steel Quality Control Orders thereby banning sub-standard/ defective steel products in the domestic market as well as imports to ensure the availability of quality steel to the industry, users, and public at large. As per the Order, it is ensured that only quality steels conforming to the relevant BIS standards are made available to the end users.

(c)&(d): Ministry of Steel has released a comprehensive Report titled 'Greening the Steel Sector in India: Roadmap and Action Plan' which provides roadmap for green steel and sustainability.

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