GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STEEL

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5022 FOR ANSWER ON 01.04.2025

IMPACT OF IMPORT RESTRICTIONS ON DOMESTIC STEEL PRODUCTION

5022. SHRI SUKHDEO BHAGAT:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether recent import restrictions on low-ash metallurgical coke could significantly reduce steel production and delay expansion plans;
- (b) whether imposed specific quotas are reportedly insufficient for their operational needs, potentially leading to shutdowns or reduced blast furnace operations by mid-2025; and
- (c) the extent to which the Ministry of Steel plan to address the potential decline in domestic steel production and mitigate delays in expansion projects resulting from these import curbs?

ANSWER

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

- (a) No, Sir.
- (b)&(c): The domestic production capacity of low-ash metallurgical coke is adequate to meet the domestic demand.
