

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1332
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IMPORT/EXPORT OF STEEL
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of the export and import of steel during each of the last three years, year-wise, company wise, country-wise; and
(b) the present rates of steel of different companies ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR STEEL (SHRI BRAJA KISHORE TRIPATHY)

(a) The details of the export and import of steel during the last three years. Company wise / country wise are given in the following annexures.

i) Quantity of exports, country wise during 1997-98, 1998-99 and 1999-2000 (April to December-prov.)- Annexure-I

ii) Quantity of imports, country wise during 1997-98, 1998-99 and 1999-2000 (April - November (prov.) Annexure-II.

iii) Quantity of exports, company wise during 1996-97, 1997-98 and 1998-99-Annexure-III.

(b) After the decontrol of steel in January 1992 the prices of steel are driven by market forces. The prices of imported and domestic steel items vary depending upon specific grades, thickness and composition. Prices are also dependent on incidence of duties, levies, taxes and foreign exchange rate. These factors are dynamic and keep changing frequently. The open market prices of steel have not shown any drastic increase in the past one year. The market prices of some of the items in different markets of India as on June 2000 are given in annexure-IV.

ANNEXURE - I

COUNTRY-WISE EXPORT OF STEEL DURING THE LAST THREE YEARS 1997-98, 1998-99 & 1999-2000 (April-Dec.1999)

(Qty. in `000 Tonnes)

COUNTRY 1997-98 1998-99 1999-2000
(April-December) (Prov.)

AUSTRALIA	20.7	15.1	1.0
BANGLADESH	15.1	23.3	8.3
BELGIUM	92.9	92.0	-
CANADA	14.6	36.4	71.1
CHINA	22.9	6.2	-
FRANCE	0.0	27.4	-
GERMANY	0.0	15.3	10.4
INDONESIA	169.4	85.5	22.8
ITALY	59.6	101.1	99.8
JAPAN	80.3	49.2	31.3
KOREA	48.9	0.0	9.1
MALAYSIA	69.6	49.6	35.9
MEXICO	12.2	4.0	15.0
MIDDLE EAST	182.5	177.7	127.2
MYANMAR	44.2	47.7	42.8
NEPAL	136.4	162.4	154.1
NETHERLAND	0.0	14.8	-
NEW ZEALAND	6.2	5.3	0.6
PHILLIPINES	36.9	15.2	2.7
PORTUGAL	0.0	4.6	-
SINGAPORE	16.9	6.1	2.1
SOUTH AFRICA	0.0	8.7	-
SPAIN	43.3	41.8	78.6
SRI LANKA	77.8	49.8	50.9
SWEDAN	-	-	1.7
TAIWAN	183.1	20.1	104.5

THAILAND	82.0	0.6	-
U.K.	59.8	32.8	70.0
U.S.A.	181.8	373.3	201.9
AMERICAS	-	-	240.0
EUROPE	-	-	142.0
ASIA	-	-	113.0
OTHERS	725.6	478.7	603.3
TOTAL	2382.7	1944.7	2240.1

ANNEXURE - II

COUNTRY WISE IMPORT OF IRON AND STEEL THROUGH MAJOR PORTS DURING 1997-98, 1998-1999-2000 (APRIL-NOVEMBER)

(`000 Tonnes)

COUNTRY	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000
	(April-Nov. (Prov.))		
ARGENTINA	-	1.3	6.4
AUSTRALIA	3.3	66.8	62.8
AUSTRIA	1.2	14.3	-
BELGIUM	41.0	17.4	24.3
BRAZIL	26.2	12.9	4.1
CANADA	10.4	14.6	19.0
CHINA	8.0	11.3	7.1
CIS	668.3	319.0	266.9
CZECH	0.2	-	0.2
E.C.	29.8	20.7	2.3
FINLAND	1.6	0.8	0.1
FRANCE	41.3	27.6	10.9
GERMANY	188.6	110.0	89.0
HOLLAND	52.6	56.8	40.4
IRAN	100.6	204.4	64.9
ITALY	26.3	8.4	5.6
JAPAN	128.0	212.7	267.6
KOREA	116.2	166.8	96.3
KUWAIT	0.3	1.8	2.1
MEXICO	-	21.4	26.0
ROMANIA	17.6	10.7	11.1
SINGAPORE	13.0	17.3	33.8
SLOVAK REP.	31.8	6.8	6.3
SOUTH AFRICA	109.1	108.9	182.9
SPAIN	14.7	4.3	8.9
SRI LANKA	0.1	-	0.4
SWEDEN	10.4	6.2	2.4
SWITZERLAND	0.6	0.4	0.7
U.A.E.	1.0	4.2	4.1
U.K.	53.6	34.4	59.1
U.S.A.	86.3	57.8	71.7
OTHERS	82.3	48.9	29.5
TOTAL	1754.6	1686.9	1305.8

ANNEXURE - III

COMPANY WISE EXPORT OF STEEL DURING 1996-97, 1997-98 & 1998-99.

(000` TONNE)

CATEGORY	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99
SAIL (INCL. IISCO)	489	682	437
TISCO	408	421	407
VSP	475	400	201
SECONDARY PRODUCERS	550	880	900

ANNEXURE - IV

MARKET PRICES (JUNE, 2000) (Rs. Per tonne)

Item Calc- Delhi Bombay Madras Hyde- Kanpur
uttarabad

Pig Iron	8800	9400	7200	8300	9200	9000
Billets 100 mm	11400	12600	11500	12500	12400	12400
Blooms 150x150 mm	11200	12600	11000	11500	12000	12000
Wire Rods 6 mm	15400	16000	16000	15000	15700	15700
Wire rods 8 mm	15100	15400	15500	15000	15700	15000
Rounds 12 mm	14000	15000	14500	15000	15500	13800
Torsteel 10 mm	14100	15100	15000	15000	14700	14100
Angles 50x50x6mm	13750	14500	14600	15000	14600	14000
Angles 100x100x8 mm	13400	14100	14300	14900	14800	14000
Joists 125x70 mm	16050	15000	15200	15900	15200	15000
Joists 300x140 mm	15500	16000	16800	16900	16000	15500
Channels 75x40 mm	14100	14700	14200	15000	15000	14500
Channels 100x50	14100	14100	14200	14500	14800	14500
Plates 6 mm	17800	17500	18000	19000	18200	18500
Plates 8/10 mm	17850	17500	18000	19000	18200	17500
HR Coils 2.00 mm	18800	19000	19500	20000	20200	18700
HR Coils 3.15 mm	17800	18700	18500	19800	19000	18000
CR Coils 0.63	21750	23000	23800	23000	23000	23000
GP sheets 0.63 mm	26300	26500	28800	26000	28000	26000
GC Sheets 0.63 mm	27000	27000	28800	26500	29000	26250
Melting Scrap	7750	7600	6700	8000	7000	8200
HBI /sponge Iron	5750	6000	7400	6400	7300	6700