

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.4992
FOR ANSWER ON 26/03/2018

STEEL PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION

4992. SHRI V. ELUMALAI:
SHRI K. ASHOK KUMAR:
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the target of more than doubling domestic steel making capacity to 300 MT by 2030-31 could be achieved smoothly, if so, the details thereof along with the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
- (b) whether the Government has set up a task force to prepare a roadmap on increasing the use of steel in various infrastructure sectors, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the said task force will also analyse the impact of imported steel on domestic steel industry and the level of percentage of use of imported steel in the ongoing projects both in public and private sectors, if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether the Government has taken concrete steps to realise the aim of achieving a target of 150 MT steel consumption by the year 2020, if so, the details thereof along with the actual and the desired/targetted per capita consumption of steel in the country during each of the last four years and the current year?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR STEEL

(SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI)

- (a) The Government has not set any target of raising crude steel making capacity to 300 million tonnes by 2030-31. It is a projection of requirement based on a forecast of the growth path of GDP and steel consumption in the country. The Steel Policy 2017 has, however, discussed in detail the ways and means and the level of preparedness required to reach such a level.
- (b) The Ministry of Steel has constituted Task Force in conjunction with relevant ministries for increasing steel usage in the Railways, Urban development, Road Transport & Highways and Shipbuilding sector.
- (c) No, Madam.
- (d) The Government has not fixed any target of achieving 150 MT Steel consumption by the year 2020. However, as per National Steel Policy 2017 per capita steel consumption in the country is expected to be 160 kgs. by 2030-31. Also there are no year wise targets for consumption of the steel in the country. The details regarding actual per capita consumption of finished steel for the last four years and the current year are as under:-

Year	Per capita consumption of finished steel in India
	Qty. (kg)
2013-14	59.56
2014-15	61.15
2015-16	63.99
2016-17	65.25
2017-18, (till February, 2018) (Provisional)	68.00
Source: JPC	
