

THE MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA) : (a) to (c) In the organizations under the Ministry of Steel, the employees working in sensitive departments and positions are rotated in a regular manner, to ensure that employees do not develop vested interests. Such departments/positions are identified and are also reviewed from time to time. The Central Vigilance Commission (CVC) guidelines for rotations in such positions are also followed and implementation is monitored regularly. The nature of the job and the competence required for the different positions vary widely. The expertise, competence and experience of all the executives is required to be effectively utilized to suit the needs of the Organization. Keeping in view the organizational requirement and individual's suitability for the posts, transfers and postings are effected. Besides, services of the officers recruited for specific nature of jobs are generally utilized in their respective branches.

**Increase in Price of Steel**

†2442. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI :

SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD :

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state :

- (a) whether it is a fact that the price of steel has increased in the country during April, 2011 to March, 2012;
- (b) if so, the maximum and minimum price increase during this period along with the dates on which the price increase was maximum and minimum;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that the price of steel has been lower in the international market in comparison with the domestic market during the said period; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL (SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA) : (a) and (b) The prices of steel items in the domestic market have been fluctuating in accordance with the market conditions such as demand supply scenario, movement in international steel market prices, cost of raw material and other input costs. A table indicating monthly price movement in respect of representative category of steel items in market during the period April, 2011 to March, 2012 is given in the Statement I. (see below)

(c) and (d) During the period April, 2011 to March, 2012, prices of steel items have shown fluctuations in major market across the world. Tables indicating the average prices of Hot Rolled Coils (HRC) and Rebar in some key global markets in April, 2011 and March, 2012 are given in the Statement II (see below).

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**Statement I***Retail Steel Price Movement in Delhi Market during April, 2011 to March, 2012*

	(Rs. per tonnes)				
	Billets 100 mm	Wire Rod 8 mm	TOR/TMT/ CTD 10 mm	HR Coils 2.00 mm	CR Coils 0.63 mm
Apr-11	37360	44230	43310	43020	48380
May-11	37300	44230	43310	43020	48380
Jun-11	38160	45280	44010	43120	47580
Jul-11	37960	44760	44180	43020	47580
Aug-11	38080	45110	43870	43210	48500
Sep-11	37680	45110	43870	43210	49180
Oct-11	38200	45980	44710	43370	48980
Nov-11	38760	44380	45700	47340	51360
Dec-11	38960	44730	46370	47430	51960
Jan-12	39010	45080	46790	47530	52360
Feb-12	39510	45450	46790	47550	51680
Mar-12	39810	45800	47670	47630	52040

Indicative price in Delhi market inclusive of transportation, taxes &amp; duties

Source : Joint Plant Committee (JPC), Ministry of Steel

**Statement II***(A) Average Prices of Hot Rolled Coils in Some Key Global Markets  
during April, 2011 and March, 2012*

Market	Unit	April, 2011		March, 2012		% change in average price during March 2012 Over average price during April, 2011
		Price Range	Average Price	Price Range	Average Price	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
CIS domestic	\$/t	740-755	748	656-688	672	-10

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
US domestic	\$/t	860-860	860	695-695	695	-19
Southern China domestic	yuan/t	4950-4970	4960	4268-4280	4274	-14
EU domestic	€/t	550-560	555	550-560	555	0.0

(Source : JPC)

Exchange Rate	Unit	April, 2011	March, 2012
1 USD	Rs.	44.24	50.86
1 CNY	Rs.	6.81	8.08
1 Euro	Rs.	65.51	67.88

(Source JPC)

**% change in Average Global Prices in Rupees during  
March, 2012 over April, 2011**

Market	Unit	April, 2011	March, 2012	% change
CIS domestic	Rs./t	33092	34178	3
US domestic	Rs./t	38046	35348	-7
Southern China domestic	Rs./t	33778	34534	2
EU domestic	Rs./t	36358	37673	4

(Source : JPC)

*(B) Average prices of Rebar in some key global markets during  
April, 2011 and March, 2012*

Market	Unit	April, 2011		March, 2012		% change in average price during March 2012 Over average price during April, 2011
		Price Range	Average Price	Price Range	Average Price	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
CIS domestic	\$/t	670-690	680	614-728	671	-1

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
US domestic	\$/t	765-765	765	760-760	760	-1
Southern China domestic	yuan/t	5230-5460	5345	4328-4548	4438	-17
EU domestic	€/t	500-510	505	545-565	555	9.9

(Source : JPC)

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1 USD	Rs.	44.24	50.86
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(Source : JPC)

% change in Average global prices in Rupees during  
March, 2012 over April, 2011

Market	Unit	April, 2011	March, 2012	% change
CIS domestic	Rs./t	30083	34127	13
US domestic	Rs./t	33844	38654	14
Southern China domestic	Rs./t	36399	35859	-1
EU domestic	Rs./t	33083	37673	14

(Source : JPC)

**Proposal sent by Tourism Department of Chhattisgarh**

†2443. SHRI SHIVPRATAP SINGH : Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state :

- (a) the number of proposals sent by the tourism department of Chhattisgarh State to the Central Government, the details thereof;
- (b) the amount involved in the proposals and the details thereof; and
- (c) by when the approval would be given?

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