

# Steel Ministry seeks probe into cheaper imports

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The Ministry of Steel has asked the trade ministry to investigate cheaper steel imports from China and Viet-

nam, a government source directly aware of the matter told Reuters on Wednesday, as New Delhi grapples with rising imports.

India, the world's second-biggest crude steel producer, turned net steel importer in

the fiscal year through March and the trend continued with finished steel imports scaling a five-year high in April and May, according to provisional government data.

"We have said that the

trade ministry should investigate these imports and offer its recommendations to the finance ministry, which will take the final call," the source told Reuters, declining to be identified as the discussions are not public.