

Global steel production down 5.9% in October

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Global steel production nosedived 5.9 per cent to 143.3 million tonnes (mt) in October 2025. It was 152.1 mt a year ago.

According to the World Steel Association, the biggest producer China's output decreased by a huge 12.1 per cent y-o-y to 72 mt in the period under consideration.

INDIA'S OUTPUT UP

India, however, recorded an increase in production at 13.6 mt, up 5.9 per cent in October. The US also saw its figures rising at 9.4 per cent to 7 mt. Meanwhile, Japan and Russia had a dip in production at 1 per cent to 6.9 mt and 6.2 per cent to 5.3 mt, respectively.

South Korean output, too,

slipped, going down 5.8 per cent to 5.1 mt. Türkiye saw a drop at 3.1 per cent to 3.2 mt and Germany's production dipped to 3.1 mt, down 3 per cent. Brazil's steel production went south by 2.7 per cent at 3 mt. Iran produced 3.3 mt of steel in October, up 12 per cent.

Region-wise, Africa's October steel output was at 2 mt, up 0.8 per cent. Asia and Oceania saw a drop of 8.2 per cent at 102.4 mt and the EU (27) produced 10.8 mt, down 3.5 per cent.

Europe (others) output went down by 3.8 per cent to 3.6 mt. The Middle East produced about 5.4 mt, up 9.2 per cent. North America recorded a 4.7 per cent hike in output to 9.1 mt. Russia and other CIS + Ukraine produced 6.4 mt of steel, down 5.1 per cent while South America's output dropped by 1.1 per cent at 3.7 mt.