

## Markets Report

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#### Chinese steel loses Li Xinchuang, its strongest voice

Li Xinchuang, vice president of the China Iron and Steel Association, president of the China Metallurgical Planning and Research Institute (MPI) and regular contributor to Kallanish's conferences passed away in Beijing on Friday morning aged 58. He was not only the most prolific spokesman of the Chinese industry in English, but also worked on important projects to enable Chinese investments overseas, as well as working intensively on domestic policy and investment.

#### Indian mills withdraw HRC offers, await government clarification

Indian mills have withdrawn hot rolled coil export offers for the time being as the recent imposition of duties on Indian steel exports has disturbed the overall dynamics of the country's steel industry. Mills are working on other options to survive such as adding a small quantity of boron and exporting product under a different HSN code that is not levied with duties.

#### Toyota extends production cuts into June

Japanese car manufacturer Toyota plans to cut output by tens of thousands of units globally in June. The initial global production plan for June is approximately 850,000 units, including 250,000 units in Japan and 600,000 units overseas.

#### Krakatau Steel, Baowu cooperate to restart BF plant

Krakatau Steel and Baowu Zhongnan Steel to jointly restart one 1.2 million tonnes/year blast furnace in Indonesia. They will develop the production of semi-finished products such as billets, and to produce long steel such as rebars, sections, H-beams, and I-beams in order to replace imports.

#### ASEAN countries to gradually reduce EAF steel ratio

On the 2022 ASEAN Raw Materials & Scrap Focus e-Event, Yeoh Wee-Jin says crude steel capacity in the ASEAN-6 countries will reach about 140m t/y in 2026. The EAF steel ratio will drop from 64% in 2021 to 36% in 2026 and the BoF steel ratio will increase from 34% in 2021 to 57% in 2026.

#### Antam earnings double on strong profitability

Antam produced 2.92m wet metric tonnes nickel ore with a rise of 11% in Q1. In addition to supply to Antam's ferronickel plants, nickel ore sold to the domestic market soared 46% to 2.33m wmt. Sales of ferronickel and nickel ore recorded at IDR 1.86 trillion and IDR 1.62 trillion in Q1.

#### Nippon warns more price hikes for cars to appliances

Nippon Steel has warned car makers and machinery industries of more steel price hikes. The company will need to "promptly and fairly" reduce cost pressure because of expensive iron ore and coking coal, which was partially boosted by the Russia-Ukraine war, according to Takahiro Mori, executive vice president of Nippon Steel.

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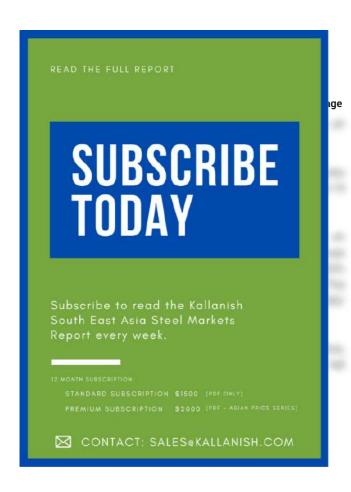


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