Development of advanced futuristic steels

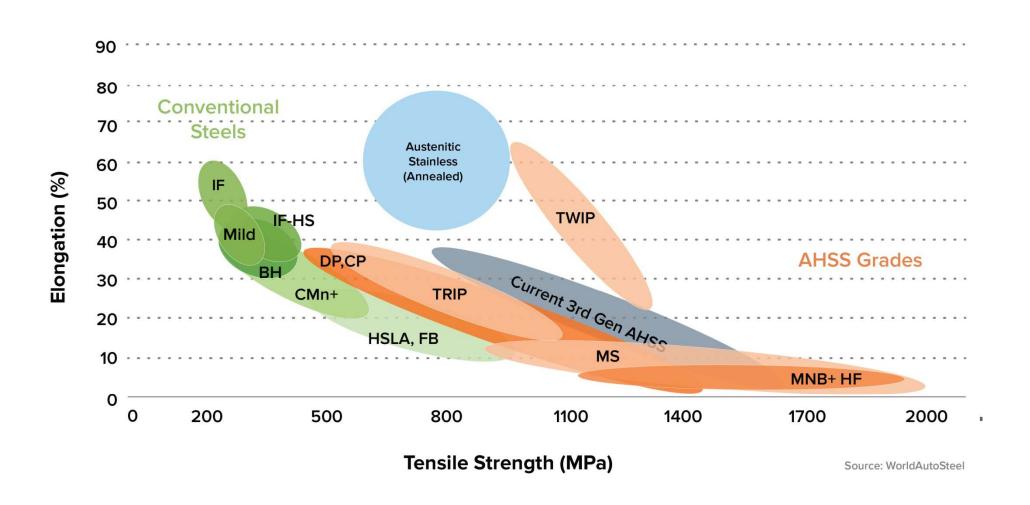
Scope of program

- 3rd generation AHSS
- Nano steels
- Low density high modulus steels

3rd Generation AHSS

- Increased emphasis on development of AHSS for automotive applications.
- New grades such as Quenched & Partitioned (Q&P) steels, combine excellent strength & formability.
- Could lead to weight savings of 10-20% in vehicle parts.
- These steels are characterised by superior properties (>1000 MPa UTS with 30-40% elongation) compared to 1st and 2nd generations at a lower cost.

Banana Plot for AHSS



Nano Steels

- Frontier area of research, where precipitates and phases of nano sizes lead to dramatic improvement in steel properties, to levels hitherto unknown.
- All over the world, work is being vigorously pursued in this very specialised area for not only steels but also other materials.
- Futuristic area, which will lead to a quantum jump/ advancement in steel research and will lead to newer applications of steels.

Low density high modulus steels

- Development of high performance lightweight steels is one of key focus areas of research in steel industry.
- For light-weighting of structurals, strengthening by itself is not a sustainable strategy without maintaining structural stiffness.
- Low density high modulus steel with AI, Mn additions is a potential way of lowering the dead weight of vehicles by ~10% and hence, a subject of national/ international importance.

Collaborating Institutes

- IIT Bombay Q&P Steels
- IISc Bangalore & Deakin University – Nano Steels
- IIT Roorkee Low Density Steels
- Steel Industries Participants

Time-frame

Stage-I	Academia and R&D Orgs.	 Fundamental research/ Concept building Lab based work/ Simulation/ Experimental scale trials for validation
Stage-II	R&D Orgs. & Industry	 Pilot scale trials/ Prototype Augmentation of facilities Industrial scale trials & commercialisation

Stage-I: 3 years

Stage-II: 2 years

Total project duration: 5 years

Thank you.