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Abstracts

Molybdenum is an all-purpose industrial metal with resistance to corrosion, high strength capacity, and it works well under high temperatures. It is mostly used as an alloying element in steel and superalloys and improves the lifetime in harsh industries like oil & gas, energy, aerospace, and construction markets. The market for molybdenum around the world is fueled by infrastructural growth, growth in the energy sector, and a rising use of high-performance materials. Renewable energy technologies and electronics are also experiencing demand growth. As an essential component of contemporary industry and a major point of concern in the transition to clean energy, molybdenum has been and will continue to be a central part of the supply chain and progress in the world of technology.

The Molybdenum market is set to show a growth rate of about 4% during the forecast period (2025- 2033F). The global molybdenum market is experiencing notable growth with the rising demand from industries such as automotive, aerospace, defense, steel production, renewable energy, etc. With industries working on cleaner energy solutions, stronger and durable infrastructure, molybdenum is regaining prominence due to its high strength, resistance to heat, and anti-corrosive attributes. It is found in many applications, including high-performance steel and super alloys, colloidal semiconductors, solar panels, and wind turbines. Parallel to this, the supply and production of molybdenum are getting transformed by the worldwide sustainability movement and the disaggregation of supply chains. The growing economies in Asia-Pacific, Latin America, and Africa are also financing rapid construction activities and are therefore speeding up the use of molybdenum. At the same time, there are geopolitical pressures and the rise of resource nationalism changing the patterns of traded products and forming opportunities to explore and exploit new technology in refining and exploration.

The market has been segmented on the basis of end products, such as steel, chemical products, foundry, molybdenum metal, and nickel alloy. Among those, steel has enjoyed a fair share in the market as it is used in numerous areas like construction, automotive, energy, and manufacturing. Molybdenum is an important alloying agent that improves the strength, corrosion resistance, and high-temperature stability of steel and cannot be spared in the production of high-strength low-alloy (HSLA) steels as well as stainless steels. With the continued buildup of infrastructure and industrialization in emerging economies (particularly in Asia-Pacific and the Middle East) the future demand of molybdenum in terms of steel applications is likely to be stable and it seems that molybdenum will continue being in demand in the coming years with the government support and the investment on the part of the private sector.

Based on end-use, the global molybdenum market is classified as oil & gas, chemical & petrochemical, automotive, industrial usage, building & construction, aerospace & defense, and others. Of these, the oil and gas industry has the largest market share, accounting for a significant portion of the global demand for molybdenum. The metal has been said to dominate due to the fact that it is usually utilized in the manufacturing of corrosion-resistant high-strength alloys, which are essential in special conditions like deep water structures, offshore rigs, offshore pipelines, and refineries. The increased energy need, most of all in the developing economies, and the further exploitation of deepwater and less expected reserves have solidified the industry's dependence on components based on molybdenum. Moreover, a higher world level of safety and environmental controls, as well as new demands on the material standards, are increasing the consumption of molybdenum-improved steels and superalloys.

For a better understanding of the market adoption of Molybdenum, the market is analyzed based on its worldwide presence in countries such as North America (U.S., Canada, and the Rest of North America), Europe (Germany, U.K., France, Spain, Italy, Rest of Europe), Asia-Pacific (China, Japan, India, South Korea, Rest of Asia-Pacific), Rest of World. Among these, the Asia-Pacific region has held a dominant market share. With the robust demand from the renewable energy, automotive, Oil & gas, as well as steel sector, the demand is further anticipated to rise in the coming years.

Some major players running in the market include KGHM, CMOC, Jinduicheng Molybdenum Co., Ltd., Climax Molybdenum, MOLYMET S.A., Japan New Metals Co. Ltd., Grupo M?xico, BHP, Codelco, and Antofagasta plc.

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