

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY  
(DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE)

**LOK SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3471**  
**TO BE ANSWERED ON 21<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER, 2015**

**EXPORT OF IRON ORE**

**3471(H). SHRIMATI KAMLA DEVI PAATLE:**

Will the Minister of **COMMERCE & INDUSTRY** (वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग मंत्री ) be pleased to state:

- a) the total production and export of iron ore from the country during the last three years and the current year along with the foreign exchange earned therefrom during the said period, country-wise;
- b) whether iron ore is exported keeping in view the depleting iron ore reserves and meeting high demand and consumption thereof in the country and if so, the details thereof;
- c) whether the Government proposes to review the export policy of iron ore for protecting the domestic industry; and
- d) if so, the details thereof?

**ANSWER**

वाणिज्य एवं उद्योग राज्य मंत्री (श्रीमती निर्मला सीतारमण)(स्वतंत्र प्रभार )  
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY  
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE)  
(SMT. NIRMALA SITHARAMAN)

- (a) Production of iron ore in the country is as follows:

Year	Production
2012-13 (Prov)	136.02
2013-14 (Prov)	145.48
2014-15 (Prov)	128.97
2015-16 upto August, 2015	55.35

(Qty. in million tonnes)  
Source: IBM, Nagpur

Country-wise details of the exports of Iron Ore during last 3 years and current year in US Dollar terms, are as follows:

COUNTRY	2012-13		2013-14		2014-15		2015-16(APR TO SEP)	
	QTY(TON)	VAL(US \$)	QTY(TON)	VAL(US \$)	QTY(TON)	VAL(US \$)	QTY(TON)	VAL(US \$)
AUSTRIA							2	61
BRAZIL	4	395	1	102				

CANADA							7	147
CHINA P RP	16081571	1423225823	13472720	1205660854	4479425	208042429	642609	26504887
COLOMBIA	52	9418						
EGYPT A RP			54340	7547198				
FINLAND	1	32					3	72
FRANCE			5	864				
GERMANY	3	294	21	954				
GREECE	20	3903						
IRAN			34017	5511605	535245	77475129	290314	31772256
ITALY	44151	2587018						
JAPAN	1542792	186953459	1960847	245140103	1881987	184460259		
KAZAKHSTAN			16	4630				
KOREA RP	133567	13984688	406687	49806008	512722	49941839		
KUWAIT	27	9259					108	33661
MALAYSIA							21340	1287290
MAURITIUS			1	213				
NEPAL	1783	106512	2975	100292	2156	81222	12920	367707
NETHERLAND	165000	18157386						
NETHERLANDANTIL	27	669						
NIGERIA			3000	1296				
OMAN			201811	29309097	27500	701029	108	25012
PHILIPPINES			44	18458				
RUSSIA							80	1491
SAUDI ARAB	34	3557	28762	4586901	314	111433	135	22651
SINGAPORE	80263	10381569						
SLOVENIA	10	828						
SOUTH AFRICA							7	331
SWEDEN		5						
SWITZERLAND			45000	3717531				
U ARAB EMTS	18686	1355587	51914	1060656	648	173001	21945	1601701
U S A	47	4979			15	766		
UNSPECIFIED	52000	4662400			50000	5517462		
VIETNAM SOC REP			39077	5163120				
Grand Total	18120038	1661447781	16301238	1557629882	7490012	526504569	989578	61617267

Source: DGCI&S, Kolkata

(b) Certain grades of Iron-ore are already regulated as per the Foreign Trade Policy 2015-20. Differential duty has also been imposed on various grades of Iron Ore to regulate the exports. Therefore, most of the steps/measures are already in place to regulate exports of Iron Ore to meet the domestic requirements.

(c) & (d) At present, there is no proposal for revision of export policy of Iron Ore.

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