

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.507
TO BE ANSWERED ON 02.12.2015**

RATES FOR TRANSPORTING IRON ORE

507. DR. C. GOPALAKRISHNAN:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Railways is charging concessional 'domestic consumption' rates for transporting iron ore instead of the 'export rates';**
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and**
- (c) the revenue loss occurred to Railways on charging these rates?**

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) & (b): No, Madam. Under the present dispensation, which has been in effect since 06.06.2009, there exists a 'dual pricing' regime in the case of transportation of iron ore by rail. Under this dispensation, a Distance Based Charge is levied additionally in the case of iron ore transportation by rail for export.

(c): Railways have earned higher freight revenues due to this dual pricing policy.
