

Export of Iron Ore

2422. SHRI SYED SHAHABUD-DIN: Will the Minister of **COMMERCE** be pleased to state :

(a) the total quantity of iron ore exported during the last three years ending 1990-91;

(b) the names of major importing countries with the quantity imported, year-wise;

(c) the average value for tonne FOB Indian port, year-wise and country-wise in SDRs; and

(d) the export target in terms of quantity and SDR value for 1991-92 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM) : (a) The total quantity of iron ore exported during the last three years ending 1990-91 was :

| | (In million tonnes) |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| 1988-89 | 33.30 |
| 1989-90 | 33.51 |
| 1990-91 | 31.96 |

(Source : Exporting Agencies)

(b) and (c) A statement giving destination-wise exports of iron ore during the last three years, year-wise, is attached. The unit value realization ranges widely and is not comparable as it depends on various factors like type of ore (lumps, fines, concentrates or pellets), grade of ore (low, medium or high depending on Fe content), size of vessels loaded, rate of loading etc. Export data is not maintained/compiled in SDRs.

(d) The export target for 1991-92 in respect of iron ore is 34.75 million tonnes valued at Rs. 1225 crores. Export targets are not set/monitored in SDRs.

Statement*Country-wise Exports of Iron Ore*

(Quantity in Million tonnes)

Minerals & Metals Trading Corporation of India Ltd. (MMTC)

| Country | 1988-89 | 1989-90 | 1990-91 |
|------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Japan | 10.49 | 10.08 | 8.60 |
| Korea, Rep. | 3.11 | 2.91 | 3.07 |
| Pakistan | 0.34 | 0.39 | 0.41 |
| Romania | 2.36 | 2.32 | 1.05 |
| G.D.R. | 0.61 | 0.70 | 0.10 |
| Others | 0.74 | 1.12 | 0.99 |
| TOTAL | 17.64 | 17.52 | 14.22 |

Kudremukh Iron Ore Company Ltd. (KIOCL)

| Country | 1988-89 | 1989-90 | 1990-91 |
|--------------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| Japan | 2.367 | 2.820 | 3.38 |
| Bahrain | 0.128 | 0.457 | 0.14 |
| Czechoslovakia | 1.149 | 0.168 | 0.20 |
| Hungary | 0.594 | 0.531 | 0.49 |
| Turkey | 0.357 | 0.325 | 0.38 |
| Others | 1.080 | 1.050 | 1.15 |
| TOTAL | 4.67 | 5.356 | 5.74 |

By Go-in Exporters

| Country | 1988-89 | 1989-90 | 1990-91 |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Japan | 8.336 | 1.868 | 9.332 |
| West Europe | 1.665 | 2.117 | 1.855 |
| South Korea | 0.996 | 0.613 | 0.818 |
| Taiwan | Nil | 0.036 | Nil |
| TOTAL | 10.997 | 10.534 | 12.005 |

Jute Mill at Kishanganj (Bihar)

2423. SHRI SYED SHAHABUD-DIN: Will the Minister of **TEXTILES** be pleased to state :

(a) the present status of the proposed jute mill at Kishanganj (Bihar);

(b) the amount invested in the project as on March 31, 1991;

(c) the latest estimated cost of the project;

(d) the estimated annual recurring expenditure on the project; and