

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:231
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KUDREMUKH PIG IRON PLANT
SRIKANTA DATTA NARASIMHARAJA WADIYAR

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the target date fixed for commissioning the Pig Iron Plant of Kudremukh;
- (b) whether the plant was to be set up at Mangalore;
- (c) if so, whether the plant has since been set up;
- (d) if so, the production capacity thereof; and
- (e) the time by which the plant is likely to start commercial production?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR STEEL (SHRI BRAJA KISHORE TRIPATHY)

(a) & (e): Kudremukh Iron & Steel Company Limited - a joint venture Company of Kudremukh Iron Ore Company Limited, MECOF Limited and MSTC Limited is setting up a Pig Iron Plant at Mangalore. It is expected to be commissioned in December, 2000.

(b) to (d): Yes, Sir. The plant has been erected and preliminary testing of equipment is in progress. The plant is expected to produce around 2,00,000 tonnes of pig iron per annum.