

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL AND MINES
LOK SABHA**

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PRODUCTION OF ALUMINA AND ALUMINIUM
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Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of production of Alumina and Aluminium in the country reported during the last three years; and
(b) the steps taken by the Government and National Aluminium Corporation Limited (NALCO) to increase the said production?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL AND MINES (SHRI RAVI SHANKAR PRASAD)

- (a) The details of production of Alumina and Aluminium in the country during last three years in respect of primary producers of Aluminium are as under:-

(In Metric Tonnes)

Year	Alumina	Aluminium
1998-1999	1919405	545705
1999-2000	1970510	617999
2000-2001	2082208	641253

- (b) In order to increase the production of Alumina and Aluminium, Government have exempted the Aluminium Sector from the proviso of Compulsory Licencing. National Aluminium Company Limited (NALCO) is implementing an expansion programme to increase the capacity of its Alumina Refinery from 0.8 Million Tonnes per year to 1.575 Million Tonnes per year and its smelter capacity from existing 2,30,000 Metric Tonne Per Year to 3,45,000 Metric Tonne Per Year.