GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1265 ANSWERED ON:08.03.2002 MOU BETWEEN MMTC AND CHINESE IRON AND STEEL GROUP GOWDAR MALLIKARJUNAPPA; QBAL AHMED SARADGI

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether MMTC and China Iron and Steel Group Trade Corporation have signed a Memorandum of Understanding for supply of iron and steel raw material to China;
- (b) if so, the main features of the memorandum of understanding signed; and
- (c) the total exports to be made from MMTC during 2002-03?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI RAJIV PRATAP RUDY)

- (a) Yes, Sir.
- (b) The main features of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed between MMTC and China Iron and Steel Group Trade Corporation are as follows:
- (i) The MOU would be effective for supplies from 1st April 2002 to 31st March 2003.
- (ii) MMTC would export iron ore, chrome ore/chrome concentrates and manganese ore toChina and would import coke, coal and limestone from China.
- (c) MMTC has set an export target of Rs. 1,801 crores for the year 2002-03.