GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COAL AND MINES LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2292 ANSWERED ON:03.12.2002 PRODUCTION DEMAND OF BAUXITE PUTTASWAMY GOWDA

Will the Minister of COAL AND MINES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Union Government propose to encourage diversified use of Aluminium in order to increase the production and encourage the production of Bauxite in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard; and
- (c) the demand and supply of Bauxite in the country during each of the last three years and the current year?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF COAL AND MINES (SUSHREE UMA BHARTI)

(a) & (b): Yes Sir, The Government is encouraging research through Jawaharlal Nehru Aluminium Research Development and Design Centre (JNARDDC), an autonomous institution under Department of Mines for new innovative uses of Aluminium. The Governmen has exhorted the aluminium industry to take appropriate steps regarding aggressive promotion for extending the usages of aluminium in various sectors

(c) The demand and supply of bauxite in the country as available for 1999-2000 and 2000-01 are below:

(Qty. `000 tonnes)

Year Demand Supply 1999-2000 6935 (Actual consumption) 7913 2000-2001 6985 (Actual consumption) 8198

The supply for the year 2001-02 is 9158 thousand tonnes. However, demand for the year 2001-2002 is not available with Indian Bureau of Mines. As demand is calculated annually, the same is yet under collection and compilation.