GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6601 ANSWERED ON:10.05.2005 EXPORT OF IRON ORE Ahir Shri Hansraj Gangaram

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

- (a) whether the Government propose to impose ban on the export of iron-ore;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether deposits of iron-ore in the country are insufficient; and
- (d) the impact of this ban on the foreign trade of iron-ore by India?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRIE.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

- (a): There is no such proposal under consideration at present.
- (b): Does not arise.
- (c): Iron-ore resources are adequate to meet the domestic demand.
- (d): Does not arise in view of reply to (a) above.