

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA**

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PRODUCTION AND EXPORT OF IRON ORE
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the comparative figures of the production of steel and export of iron ore during each of the last three years and the current year; and

(b) the steps taken to ensure that iron ore reserves of the country are not exhausted drastically?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL(SHRI A. SAI PRATHAP)

(a) The comparative figures of the production of steel and export of iron ore during each of the last three years and the current year are given below:

(Quantity in Million Tonnes)
Year Crude Steel Iron Ore
Production Export

2007-08 53.86 104.27

2008-09 58.44 105.87

2009-10(Prov.) 64.88 117.37

2010-11(Prov.) 16.82 28.07
April to
June

Source:- Production of Crude Steel : JPC, Kolkata

Iron Ore Exports: MMTC

(b) The Government has decided that conservation of iron ore resources of the country is of paramount importance and the same may be achieved by taking recourse to appropriate fiscal measures. Presently, an export duty of 5% is leviable on iron ore fines whereas 15% export duty is leviable on other varieties of iron ore.