

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

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WINDFALL TAX ON IRON ORE MINES
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has proposed a wind fall tax on miners of iron ore;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the industry body Federation of Indian Mineral Industries (FIMI) is against the proposal; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM)

(a) to (d): A proposal to revise the rates of export duty on iron-ore was received on the ground that exporters are making windfall profits. Federation of Indian Mineral Industries (FIMI) has opposed revision of export duty. Since last enhancement on export duty on iron ores was effected only on 29-04-2010, the Government has decided not to carry out any change at this stage.