GOVERNMENT OF INDIA COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2066 ANSWERED ON:26.03.2012 BAN ON EXPORT OF CHROME ORES Tomar Shri Narendra Singh

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

(a) whether the Government proposes to impose a ban on export of chrome ores keeping in view the depleting reserves of the same;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the export of chrome ores is directly affecting steel industry; and

(d) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to save steel manufacturers/ industries and ensure the supply of this raw material to the Industries?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA M. SCINDIA)

(a)&(b) No, Madam.

(c)&(d) To conserve limited resources of chrome ore for the domestic steel industry and to improve its availability in the domestic market at affordable prices, Government has recently increased the export duty on chrome ore to 30% ad valorem from Rs.3000/- per tonne in the budget proposals for the year 2012-13.