

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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EXPORT OF MINERAL

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

(a) the details of various minerals presently being exported from different States alongwith the total revenue generated from it during each of the last three years, quantum-wise;

(b) the public and private sector undertakings which are directly exporting these minerals;

(c) whether the Government proposes to take over the export of these minerals from private mine owners/companies; and

(d) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

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

(a)&(b) Major minerals being exported by public and private sector enterprises are iron ore, chrome ore/concentrate and manganese ore. Iron ore from different states is stored and blended with cargo at various ports. Therefore, State-wise details of iron ore export are not available. High grade iron ore is exported through MMTC Limited and 100% Export Oriented Units. Exports of low /medium grade iron ore are under Open General Licence. Export of iron ore quantity and value on all India basis is as under :

Iron Ore

Quantity : Million Tonnes; Value : RS. Crores

All India	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
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Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
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105.87	34036.67	117.37	41794.85	97.66	41295.86
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Exports of chrome ore/concentrate and manganese ore (excluding lumpy/blended manganese) are canalized through MMTC Limited. Manganese ore is also canalized through Manganese Ore India Limited (MOIL). State-wise details of export of chrome ore/concentrate and manganese ore during the last three years, quantum-wise are as under:-

Quantity : Lakh Metric Tonnes; Value : Rs. Crore

State	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
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Chrome Ore/Chrome Concentrate

Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value	Quantity	Value
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Orissa	3.77	827.08	5.85	626.91	5.27	807.63
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Manganese Ore

Karnataka	0.69	51.38	1.24	52.51	0.24	12.30
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Andhra Pradesh	1.22	55.04	1.67	49.60	1.28	45.22
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Total 1.91 106.42 2.91 102.11 1.52 57.52

(c)and(d) Under the extant Foreign Trade Policy, export of iron ore with Fe content 64% and above (except iron ore of Goa and Redi origin) is under the State Trading Regime through MMTC Limited. However, the feasibility of nodal agency operation, as an interim measure, to cover exports of most grades of iron ore as an accounting procedure is under examination, to enforce legitimacy and tighter regulation of iron ore exports and compliance with mining regulations.