

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINES  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5807  
ANSWERED ON:11.05.2012  
E-AUCTION  
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**Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether e-auction is likely to leave low grade iron ore unsold;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the steps being taken to correct the situation in this regard?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR MINES (SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

- (a) & (b) : No, Madam. E-auction for iron ore is conducted by monitoring committee set up in terms of Supreme Court orders. As per available information, Grade of iron ore is not the reason for iron ore not being sold in e-auctions.
- (c): Does not arise in view of (a) & (b) above.