## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA STEEL LOK SABHA

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

- (a) whether the strategic advisory body of the Ministry has recommended to lower export levels of iron ore to safeguard the competitiveness of the domestic steel industry;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with the current level of iron ore export and the extent to which it was recommended for lowering;
- (c) whether the Government/Ministry is exporting iron ore to various countries at rates prevalent in 1950;
- (d) if so, the reasons therefor; and
- (e) the steps taken to rectify the situation and to ensure that our domestic consumers get a level-playing field?

## **Answer**

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL, MINES AND LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI)

(a)&(b): There is no Strategic Advisory Body in the Ministry of Steel at present. Therefore any recommendation by such body does not arise. Details of last three years' export of Iron ore are as given below:

[In Million Tonnes (MT)]
Year Export
2011 -12 (P) 61.74
2012 -13 (P) 18.37
2013 -14 (P) 14.41

[Source: Export- MMTC, Department of Commerce; (P) - Provisional]

(c) No, Madam.

(d)&(e): Does not arise in view of (c) above.