

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI): (a) and (b) RBI has reported that certain fraudulent transactions were perpetrated in accounts of several concerns at 3 Calcutta branches of Bank of Baroda and some other branches of other banks at Calcutta between June 1983 and March 1984. Bank of Baroda has filed suits against 25 parties for recovery of the dues.

(c) The parties involved are R.K. Jain and Poddar Group of Calcutta. The CBI has investigated the matter and recommended prosecution against 5 officials of the Bank and departmental action on 4 other officials. In the departmental proceedings, the bank exonerated the then DGM in-charge of Inspection, who retired from service in 1988. The then Chief Manager (Inspection) was compulsorily retired on 24-4-88. The then Manager was dismissed from the bank's service. Another officer was warned. Disciplinary proceedings have been taken up in respect of other 5 officials.

SC/ST Employees of H.Z.L. at Udaipur

1546. **SHRI KAILASH MEGHWAL:** Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government policy of providing reservation in promotions is followed fully by Hindustan Zinc Limited, Udaipur; and

(b) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL & MINES AND MINISTER OF LAW & JUSTICE (SHRI DINESH GO-SWAMI): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and shall be laid on the Table of the House.

TFAI Plan for Setting Up more Centres

1547. **SHRI PRAKASH BAPU VASANTRAO PATIL:** Will the

Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Trade Fair Authority of India (TFAI) plans to set up more centres like the one at Pragati Maidan in Delhi;

(b) if so, the names of the places where such centres are proposed to be set up; and

(c) In what way the exhibition infrastructure at the Pragati Maidan in Delhi is proposed to be utilised to the optimum capacity round the year?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND TOURISM (SHRI ARUN KUMAR NEHRU): (a) and (b) Trade Fair Authority of India aims at organising trade fairs not only in Delhi but also in other important cities and State capitals. Though there are certain proposals to develop exhibition infrastructure in the metropolitan cities like Bombay, no definite project has emerged.

(c) In order to utilise the infrastructure available at Pragati Maidan TFAI plans to increase specialised commodity fairs with export thrust. It also plans to encourage outside agencies to hire out exhibition space in Pragati Maidan for exhibition purposes.

Export and Import of Minerals

1548. **SHRI PRAKASH BAPU VASANTRAO PATIL:** Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the export figures of minor and major minerals during 1988-89 and 1989-90 along with the names of the countries to which the minerals were exported; and

(b) the details of imports of minerals during the above mentioned period along with the names of the countries from which such minerals were imported?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND TOURISM (SHRI ARUN KUMAR NEHRU): (a) Exports of

minerals and ores (both major & minor minerals) during 1988-89 and 1989-90 were as under:—

Qty: in '000' tonnes

Value in Rs. lakhs

Item	1988-89 (Prov.)		1989-90 (Prov.)	
	Qty.	Value	Qty.	Value
1	2	3	4	5
Iron ore	32,974	67250.47	35558	92755.67
Mica	47	2872.97	38	3000.50
Coal	175	1271.00	225	1682.51
Other minerals & ores including processed minerals	NA	31319.21	NA	40571.91

Source : DGCI & S

The main countries to which these minerals and ores have been exported are Japan, South Korea, Romania, Italy, Bangladesh, China, Hungary, Qatar, USA etc.

(b) Imports of minerals during 1988-89 and 1989-90 are given below:

Qty: in '000' tonnes

Value in Rs. lakhs

Item	1988-89 (Prov.)		1989-90 (Prov.)	
	Qty.	Value	Qty.	Value
1	2	3	4	5
Metaliferrous and metal scrap	NA	67742.01	NA	88295.68
Coal, Coke & Briquettes	4843	41971.06	4912	56915.17

Source: DGCI & S

The main countries from which these minerals have been imported are Canada, USSR, Australia, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, France, West Germany, Peru, Netherlands, Singapore, United Arab Emirates, UK, USA, China, Poland etc.

Sick Iron Ore Mines in Karnataka

1549. SHRI SRIKANTA DATTA NARASIMHA RAJA WADIYAR: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state :

(a) the names of iron ore mines, fallen sick in Karnataka in last three years;

(b) the number of workers who have been thrown out of employment following the closure of those mines;

(c) the reasons of their sickness; and

(d) the steps taken to reopen those mines?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL & MINES AND MINISTER OF LAW & JUSTICE (SHRI DINESH GO-SWAMI): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.