

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.