

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF STEEL

LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.2179
FOR ANSWER ON 02/08/2021

IMPORT OF IRON ORE

2179. SHRI BALUBHAU ALIAS SURESH NARAYAN DHANORKAR:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has to import iron ore despite its production in the country;
- (b) if so, the demand of iron being made by the public sector and private sector steel plants set up in the country;
- (c) whether we are able to supply ore as per the demand of private sector and PSUs;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the steps taken/being taken by the Government to supply iron ore to these steel plants?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(SHRI RAM CHANDRA PRASAD SINGH)

(a)to(e): The details of import, production and supply of iron ore during the last three years are as follows:-

(in million tonnes)

Items	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21*
Import of Iron Ore	12.804	1.240	0.760
Iron Ore Production	206.49	246.08	204.28
Iron Ore Demand	177	175	166

[Source: DGFT & JPC/IBM, *provisional]
