

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF STEEL

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.957**  
FOR ANSWER ON 06/12/2021

**AVAILABILITY OF IRON ORE**

957. SHRI K.R. SURESH REDDY:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) the present availability of iron ore in our country for local requirement;
- (b) whether it is a fact that iron ore is being exported to various countries; and
- (c) whether there is any policy to stop export of iron ore to meet local demand?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(SHRI RAM CHANDRA PRASAD SINGH)

- (a) Requirement of iron ore in the country is primarily met by domestic production. Iron ore production in the country during FY 2020-21 and FY 2021-22 (up to September) was 204.48 MT (million tonnes) and 123.87 MT respectively.
- (b) The details of country wise export of Iron Ore in FY 2020-21 and 2021-22 are **annexed**.
- (c) Government has imposed export duty of 30% on all forms of iron ore except low grade (below 58% Fe content) iron ore (lump & fines).

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**Annexure**

<b>Country-wise Export of Iron Ore from India</b>			
<b>(in '000 tonnes)</b>			
<b>Sl.No.</b>	<b>Country</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>2021-22*</b>
1	BAHARAIN	154.08	-
2	BANGLADESH	24.25	-
3	BRAZIL	330.60	104.500
4	TAIWAN	0.15	-
5	CHINA	51976.09	16572.578
6	EGYPT	59.77	-
7	ETHIOPIA	0.01	-
8	FRANCE	30.36	23.487
9	INDONESIA	593.35	552.275
10	JAPAN	1999.87	74.251
11	KENYA	0.84	48.500
12	KOREA RP	658.47	450.119
13	MALAYSIA	741.65	196.609
14	NEPAL	95.28	161.322
15	NEW CALEDONIA	0.20	-
16	OMAN	697.96	471.901
17	POLAND	72.70	-
18	QATAR	43.50	15.000
19	REUNION	0.01	-
20	UAE	52.17	50.030
21	VIETNAM	191.33	161.022
22	CONGO	0.01	0.075
23	ZAMBIA	0.01	-
24	AUSTRALIA	-	0.002
25	CANADA	-	0.009
26	GERMANY	-	0.001
27	HUNGARY	-	0.026
28	ITALY	-	382.774
29	SINGAPORE	-	64.280
30	USA	-	0.003
	<b>Total</b>	<b>57722.66</b>	<b>19328.763</b>

Source: Joint Plant Committee (JPC), \* April - October