## GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF STEEL

## RAJYA SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.447 FOR ANSWER ON 26/11/2014

## MINES ALLOTTED TO KIOCL IN KARNATAKA

447. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has allotted any mine for the Kudremukh Iron Ore Company Ltd. (KIOCL) in Karnataka;

(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor and by when KIOCL will be allotted with mines;

(c) whether KIOCL and Steel Authority of India Ltd. (SAIL) are jointly setting up a 2 million tonnes a year capacity pellet plant at the Bokaro Steel Plant; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

## ANSWER

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

(a)&(b): Ministry of Mines conveyed prior approval of the Central Government under Section 5(1) of MMDR Act, 1957 in June, 2008 for grant of mining lease for iron ore and manganese ore over an area of 116.55 hects. in Hombalagatta and Hosahalli villages of C.N. Halli Taluk, Tumkur in favour of M/s. Kudremukh Iron Ore Company Limited (KIOCL) for a period of 30 (thirty) years. Requisite clearances are under process with concerned authorities. Hence, no time frame can be indicated.

(c)&(d): Setting up of 2 MTPA capacity pellet plant at Bokaro Steel Plant is at Expression of Interest (EOI) stage.

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