

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF STEEL

**RAJYA SABHA**  
**UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.733**  
FOR ANSWER ON 29/11/2012

**IRREGULARITIES IN SELLING OF IRON ORE**

733. SHRIMATI KUSUM RAI:  
SHRI ARVIND KUMAR SINGH:  
SHRI PRABHAT JHA:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

- (a) whether irregularities in selling of iron ore by National Mineral Development Corporation (NMDC) that have been reported recently resulted in loss of public money of at least ₹ 2000 crore;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether Government has fixed responsibility in this regard and has taken action against the guilty;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

**ANSWER**

THE MINISTER OF STEEL

(SHRI BENI PRASAD VERMA)

(a)&(b): Draft observations have been made by the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) during the course of its Performance Audit relating to modalities of iron ore pricing by NMDC Limited. Necessary clarifications to these observations have been provided to the CAG. No further comments have been received from the CAG.

(c)to(e): Do not arise.

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