

varieties of onion excepting Bangalore Rose onion and Krishnapuram onion was reduced to US\$450 per MT *vide* Notification No.29 dated 1.3.2011 and further reduced to US\$350 per MT *vide* Notification No.30 dated 8.3.2011.

**Export of iron ore and minerals to China**

2188. SHRI ANIL MADHAV DAVE: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of total quantity of iron ore and other minerals exported to China; and

(b) the details of quantity imported by India as finished goods from iron ore and other minerals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) The details of India's iron ore, chrome ore/concentrate and manganese ore exported to China during the years 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11 are as under:

(Quantity in lakh tonnes)

Item	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11 (P) (April-January, 2011)
Iron Ore	978.49	1093.00	715.06
Chrome Ore	0.41	0.93	0.15
Chrome Concentrate	2.78	4.34	2.93
Manganese Ore	1.68	2.59	1.18

(P) = Provisional.

(b) Iron ore is used for steel-making and steel is used directly or in combination with other minerals for a large variety of products. Imported finished goods using iron and steel include tools used in agricultural/forestry and other articles including tubes/pipes used for oil and gas etc. The steel imports into the country during the last three years is given below:

(Quantity in Million Tonnes)

2007-08	2008-09	2009-10
7.03	5.84	7.29