

billion cubic metre. Projects envisaging 76.8 billion cubic metre of storage are under construction.

(d) Yes Sir.

(e) It has been assessed that it may be possible to utilise 224 billion cubic metre of additional waters through inter-basin water transfers. Studies and surveys for the purpose have been taken in hand.

Production of Iron Ore Concentrate and Pellets in KIOCL

*357. SHRI V. KRISHNA RAO:
SHRI C. P. MUDALAGI-RIYAPPA:

Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the production of iron ore concentrate and iron ore pellets in Kudremukh Iron Ore Company Ltd. (KIOCL) during 1989-90 and 1990-91;

(b) the quantity of those items exported by KIOCL during the above period;

(c) whether any new agreement between China and India has been signed for export of those items; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEB): (a) The production of Iron Ore Concentrate and Pellets by Kudremukh Iron Ore Co. Ltd. (KIOCL) during the years 1989-90 and 1990-91 was as under:

Item	<i>(In dry Lakh Metric tonnes)</i>	
	1989-90	1990-91
Iron ore Concentrate	53.89	60.06
Iron ore Pellets	19.76	19.19

(b) The information is given below:

Item	<i>(In dry Lakh Metric tonnes)</i>	
	1989-90	1990-91
Iron ore Concentrate	34.04	39.06
Iron ore Pellets	19.46	18.36

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. KIOCL has signed agreements with three parties for export of 3.70 lakh tonnes of iron ore concentrate to China during the year 1991-92.

(b) the steps taken to provide telephone connections expeditiously, especially in Western Orissa?

Waiting List for Telephone Connections in Orissa

*358. SHRI SRIBALLAV PANIGRAHI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT):

(a) 5346 number of persons are waiting for telephone connections in Orissa as on 30-6-1991.

(a) the total number of persons on the waiting list for telephone connections in Orissa till date; and

(b) Expansion plans are drawn for clearing the present waiting list progressively during the 8th Plan period.