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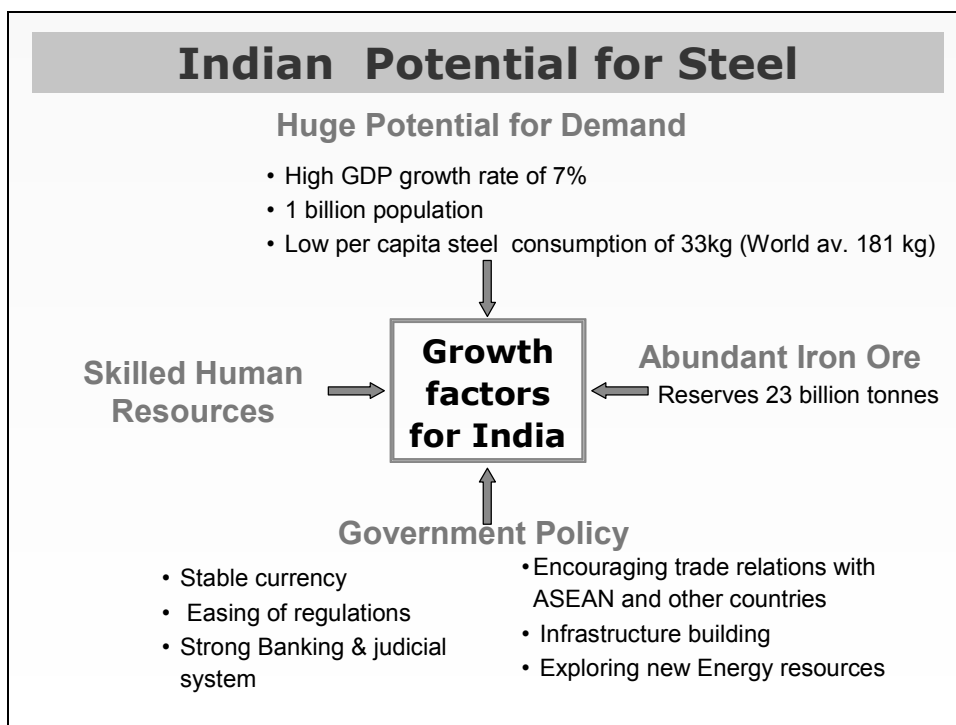
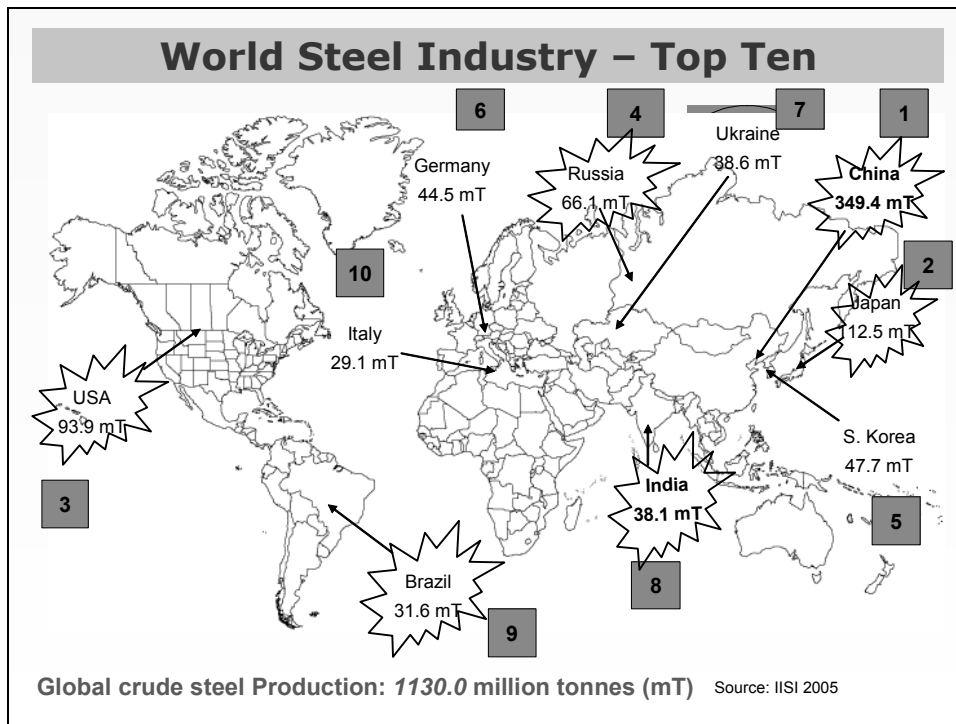
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**PRIMARY FOCUS**

- 1. India: A future growth hub**
- 2. Critical Raw Materials Scenario:  
Indian Perspective**
- 3. Critical Infrastructure:  
Indian Perspective**
- 4. Key Issues**



## National Steel Policy-2005

- Approved by Government of India in September 2005

Million Tonnes

|                | Steel Production | Imports | Exports | Consumption |
|----------------|------------------|---------|---------|-------------|
| <b>2004-05</b> | 38               | 2       | 4       | 36          |
| <b>2019-20</b> | 110              | 6       | 26      | 90          |

### Major Emphasis:

- Critical Input Raw Materials: Iron Ore and Coking Coal
- Infrastructure facilities like Roads, Railways and Ports.

### Focus:

- Human Resources
- Technology
- Research and Development
- Market outlook on prices of steel
- Environmental Concerns.

## Raw Materials Requirement

### Critical inputs for Steel Production

- Iron Ore
- Coking Coal

### Projected Requirement of Critical inputs

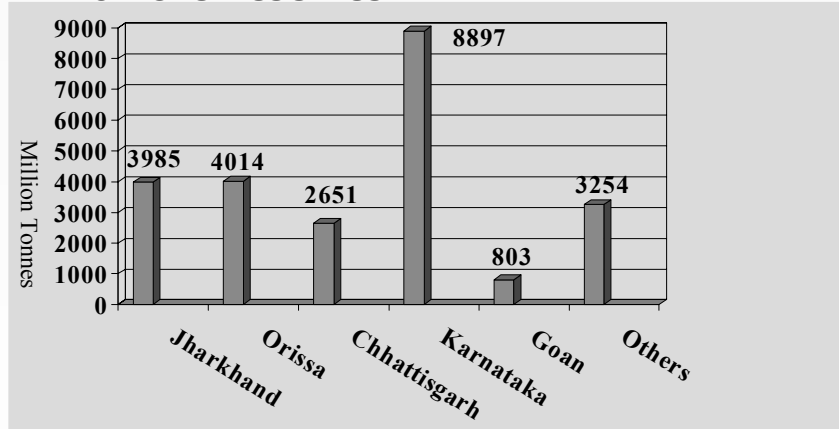
Million Tonnes

|                | Iron Ore | Coking Coal | Non Coking Coal |
|----------------|----------|-------------|-----------------|
| <b>2019-20</b> | 190      | 70          | 26              |
| <b>2004-05</b> | 54       | 27          | 13              |

**New Additions through BF Route (60%),  
Electric Arc Furnace (33%), others (7%)**

## Iron Ore - Reserve Availability

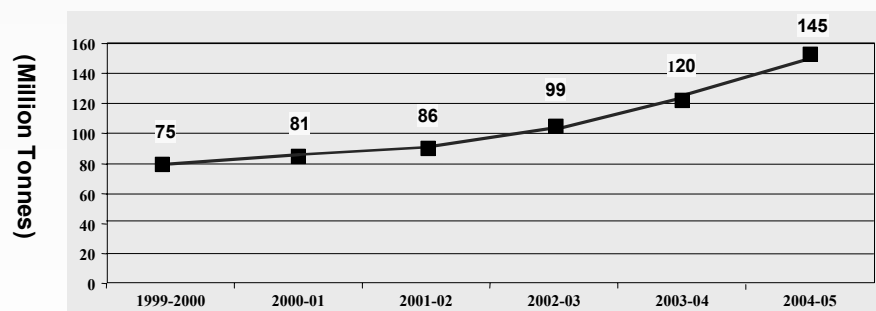
### Iron Ore Reserves



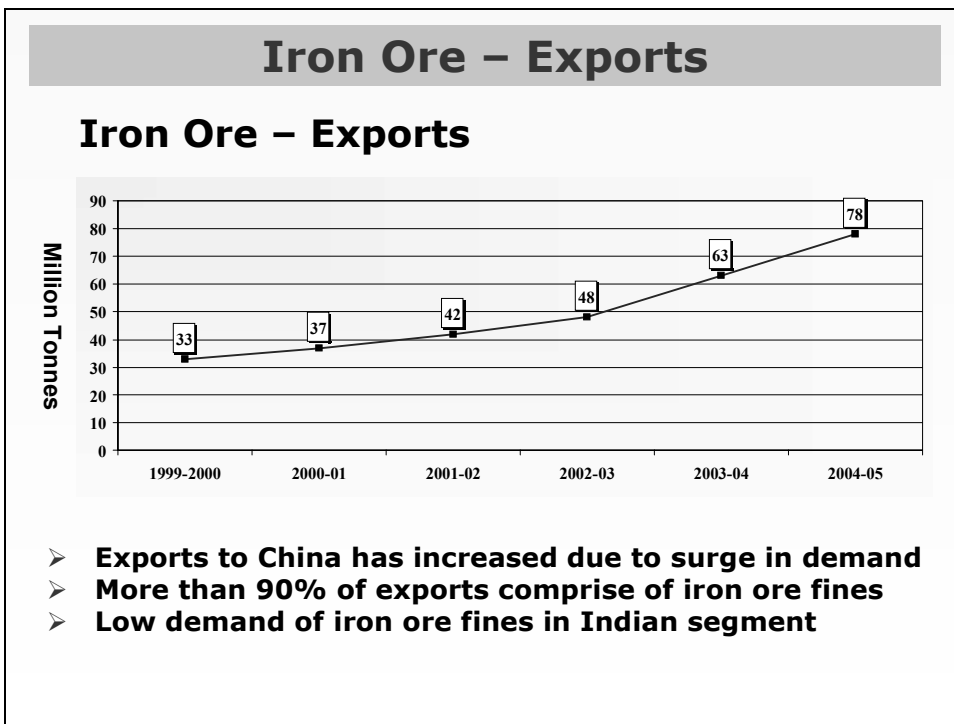
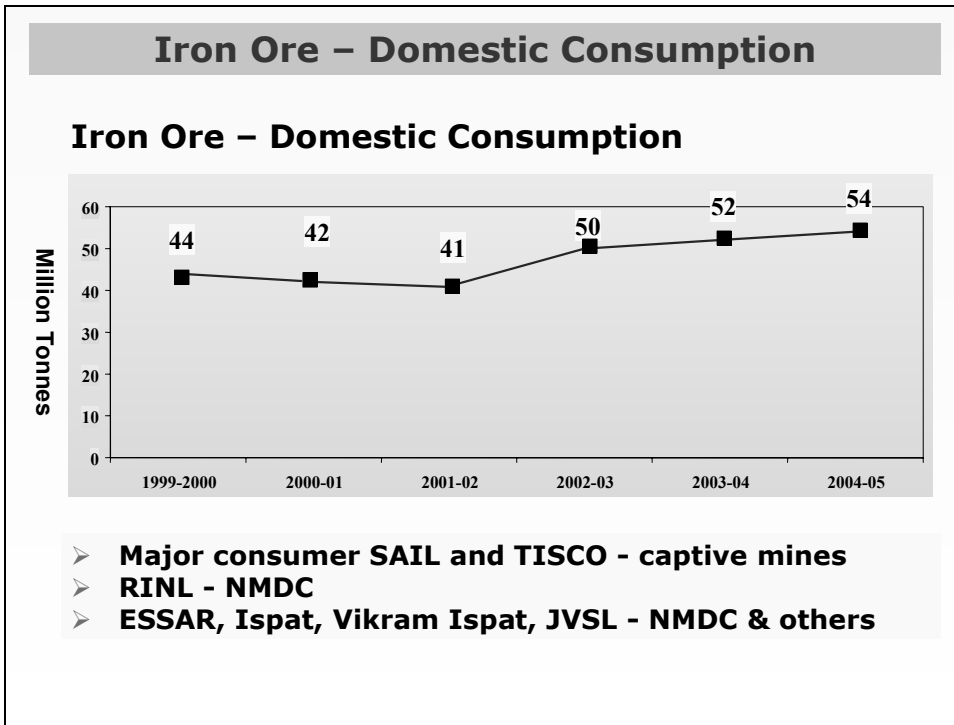
- Total Reserves – about 23 BT (P)
- Haemetite (11.43 BT) and Magnetite (10.68 BT).
- High grade haemetite (65%) only 14% of total reserves.

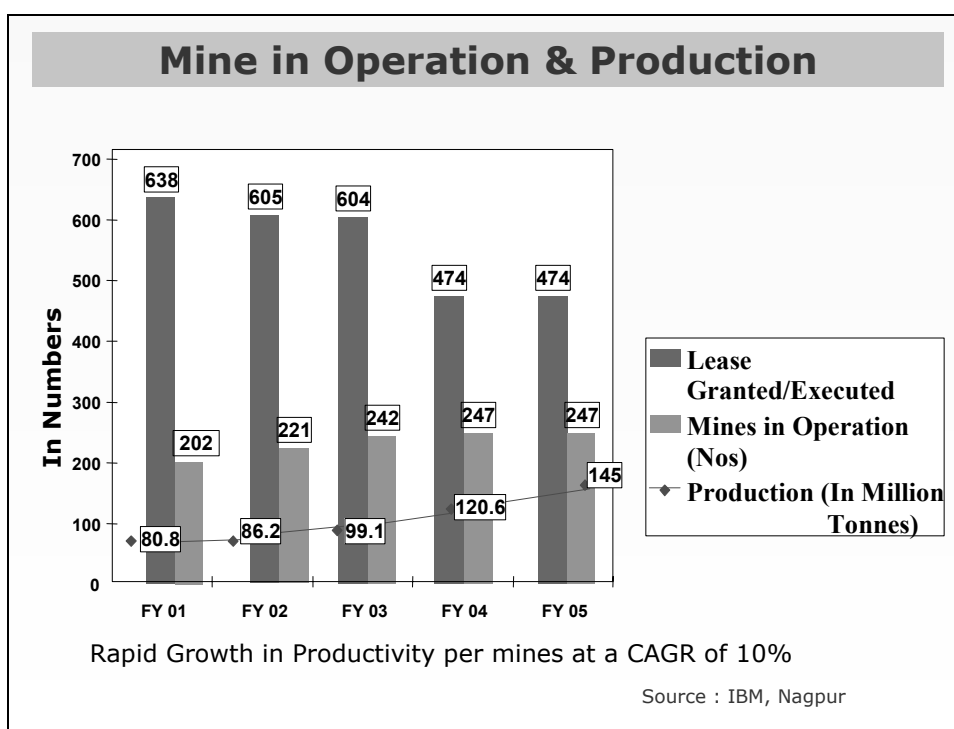
## Iron Ore – Production Scenario

### Iron Ore Production



- Increase in production driven by export
- Chhattisgarh, Karnataka, Jharkhand and Orissa - major share





### Iron Ore Scenario

| ORGANISATION / STATE  | PRODUCTION CAPACITY |
|---|---------------------|
| <b>NMDC</b><br>Bailadila (11A,11B,11C),<br>Donimalai, Kumarswamy                      | <b>22</b>           |
| <b>SAIL</b><br>Kiriburu, Meghahatuburu, Bolani,<br>Barsua, Rajhara, Dalli, Gua, Kalta | <b>25</b>           |
| <b>TISCO</b><br>Noamundi, Joda  | <b>10</b>           |
| <b>GOA</b>  | <b>30</b>           |
| <b>Karnataka, Orissa, Jharkhand</b>   | <b>58</b>           |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>145</b>          |

## Iron ore - Future Perspective

### New Capacities by 2011-12

| Sl.No.       | Area           | Mine             | Expected Capacity (mT/annum) |
|--------------|----------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| 1.           | Chhattisgarh   | Bailadila-10&11A | 7.0                          |
| 2.           | Chhattisgarh   | Bailadila-11B    | 7.0                          |
| 3.           | Chhattisgarh   | Rowghat          | 14.0                         |
| 4.           | Jharkhand      | Chiria           | 10.0                         |
| 5.           | Orissa         | Daitari          | 3.0                          |
| 6.           | Orissa         | Sundergarh       | 10.0                         |
| 7.           | Bellary-Hospet | Kumarswami       | 7.0                          |
| 8.           | Bellary-Hospet | Ramandrug        | 10.0                         |
| 9.           | Andhra-Pradesh | Ongole Magnetite | 3.0                          |
| <b>Total</b> |                |                  | <b>71 MT</b>                 |

Total expected capacity in 2011-12 =215MT(approx.)

## Iron Ore – Future Perspective

**2019-20**

|  |                                      |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| <b>Domestic requirement</b>                                | <b>190 mT</b>                        |
| <b>Exports</b>   | <b><u>100 mT</u></b>                 |
| <b>Total Requirement</b>                                   | <b><u>290 mT</u></b>                 |
| <br>   |                                      |
| <b>Additional modern mining and beneficiation facility</b> | <b>200 mT.</b>                       |
| <br>   |                                      |
| <b>Likely investments</b>                                  | <b>Rs.20000 cr<br/>(4.5 B US \$)</b> |



## Iron Ore – Future Perspective

### Strategies envisaged

- Investments plans for **idle mining leases**.
- **Speedy renewal of existing mining leases**
- **Grant of new mining leases:**
- **Environmental & Forestry Clearances** in fixed time frame
- **Incentives for Value addition** for iron ore fines.
- **Encouragement for scientific and large scale mining**

## Iron Ore – Future Perspective

### IRON ORE EXPORTS (2019-20)

**Projected iron ore exports —→ 100MT**

No appreciable increase in quantum envisaged

### Future Policy envisaged

- High grade lump to be leveraged for imports of coking coal or for investment in India.
- Maintain balance between exports and domestic consumption

## **Iron Ore – Key Issues**

### **1. Slow pace of growth of the mineral sector**

- Time taking procedures in grant of RP/PL/ML viz-a-viz other countries like Australia, Canada etc

### **2. Review of existing procedures for granting RP/PL/ML**

- Delay in obtaining statutory clearances:

## **Iron Ore – Key Issues**

### **3. Less utilization of iron ore fines in iron and steel industry.**

### **4. Iron ore resources to be further established by more exploration.**

## Coal

- **In-situ Reserves** of Coal in India – **246 billion tonnes** at depth of 1200 meters (as on 1.1.2004).

Billion Tonnes

| Type of Coal | Proved      | Indicated    | Inferred    | Total        |
|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| Coking       | 16.4        | 13.5         | 2.1         | 32.0         |
| Non-Coking   | 75.1        | 102.7        | 35.8        | 213.6        |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>91.5</b> | <b>116.2</b> | <b>37.9</b> | <b>245.6</b> |

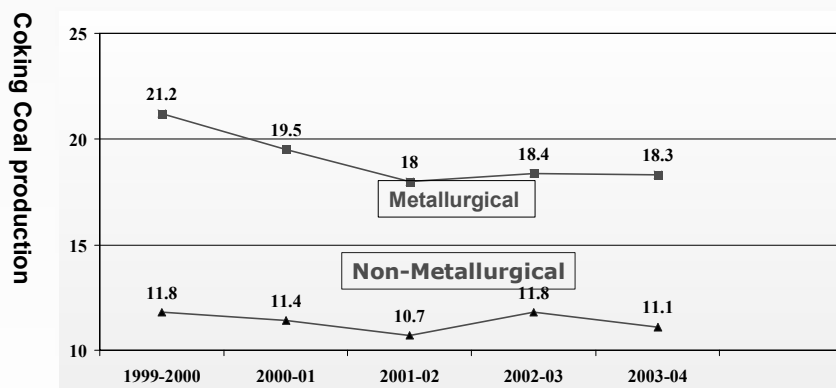
- **Majority of reserves lies in the states of Jharkhand (29%) and Orissa (25%).**

## Coking Coal – Indian Scenario

- Proven Coking Coal Reserves (as on 1.1.2004) - **16.4 BT**

| Category of coking coal | Proven Reserves in BT |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Prime Coking Coal       | 4.6                   |
| Medium Coking Coal      | 11.3                  |
| Blendable/Semi-Coking   | 0.5                   |
| Total                   | 16.4                  |

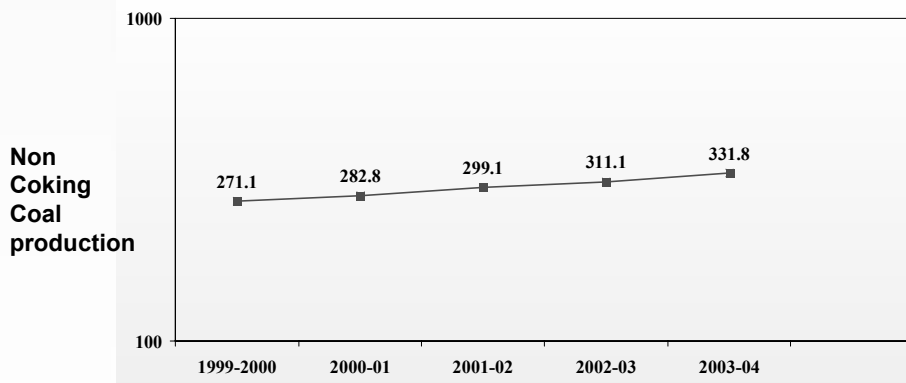
## Coking Coal – Indian Scenario



- Coking Coal declined from 33 MT (99-00) to 29.4 (03-04)
- Significant proportion of coking coal not suitable for metallurgical purpose.
- Production of raw coking coal has fallen
- Washed coal availability would be much lower.

## Non Coking Coal – Indian Scenario

- Proven Non Coking Coal Reserves (as on 1.1.2004) - **75.1 BT**
- Constitutes **82% of the total coal reserves in India.**



- Quantitatively, no problem faced by Indian Steel Industry.
- Qualitatively, require high grade of non-coking coal for sponge iron industry.

## Coking Coal – Future Perspectives

**2019-20**

- Requirement of coking coal —→ **70 MT**
- Likely % available from imports —→ **85%**

### Strategies envisaged

- Allotment of new coal blocks to steel industry
- Joint Ventures and Equity participation abroad by steel and coal companies.
- Development and Adaption of technologies in synergy with natural resource base (non-coking coal).
- Investment in beneficiation of coal.

## Non-Coking Coal – Future Perspectives

**2019-20**

- Requirement of non coking coal —→ **26 MT**
- Higher grades of non coking coal will be essential

### Strategies envisaged

- ❖ Priority for steel industry and sponge iron of higher grades of non-coking coal (below 12% ash).
- ❖ Greater flexibility in
  - sale of surplus coal.
  - Re-allocation of existing unused linkages with CIL
- ❖ Joint Ventures of Public Sector and Private Sector for larger investments.

### **Coking Coal – Key Issues**

- ❖ **Limited proven coking coal reserves in India.**
- ❖ **Quality parameters to match to requirements of Indian steel plants.**
- ❖ **Huge dependence on imports.**
- ❖ **Beneficiation of low volatile medium coking coal (LVMC) for metallurgical purpose.**
- ❖ **Promote prospecting and exploration activities to establish further resources at lower depth.**

### **Non-Coking Coal – Key Issues**

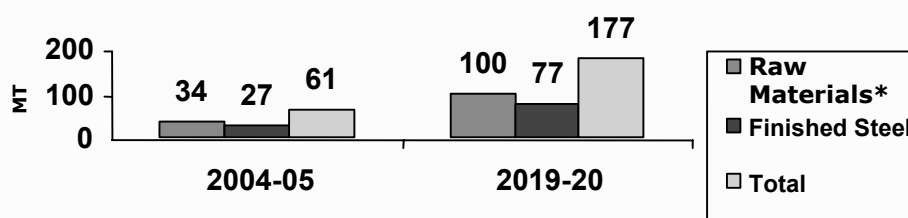
- ❖ **Inferior quality of non-coking coal with high content of ash percentage.**
- ❖ **Availability of high grade non -coking coal for sponge iron industry.**

## Transportation

- ❖ Modes of transport
  - Roads**
  - Railways**
  - Ports**
- ❖ Facilitate transportation of Raw Materials, Finished Steel and other products.
- ❖ Every tonne of steel production involves transportation of 4 (four) tonnes of material.
- ❖ The envisaged addition of 75 million tonnes of steel production annually implies 300 million tonnes of additional traffic
- ❖ Gain competitive edge both in domestic and overseas market.

## Roads: Future Perspective

### Traffic handled by Road (MT)

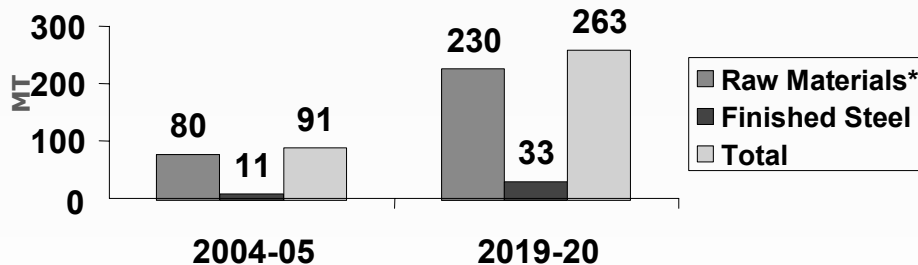


\* Excludes traffic due to export of iron ore

- ❖ **Traffic for roads, due to steel industry by 2020, would increase by 300%(approx.).**
- ❖ **The road network needs would be expanded**
- ❖ **The steel plants and mines to be integrated with the national highway development**

## Railways – Future perspective

### Traffic handled by Railways (MT)



\* Excludes traffic due to export of iron ore

Traffic for railways, for steel industry by 2020, would increase by 300% (approx.). The railway facilities would be expanded substantially

Participation by the steel industry in creation of railway infrastructure

## Ports - Future Perspective

### Port Traffic

|                | Bulks to be handled at ports (MT) |           |              |           |            |            | CAGR        |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|------------|------------|-------------|
|                | 2004-05                           |           |              | 2019-20   |            |            |             |
|                | Import                            | Export    | Total        | Import    | Export     | Total      |             |
| Raw Materials* | 19.3                              | 78        | 97.3         | 85        | 100        | 185        | 4.4%        |
| Steel          | 2                                 | 4         | 6            | 6         | 26         | 32         | 11.8%       |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>21.3</b>                       | <b>82</b> | <b>103.3</b> | <b>91</b> | <b>126</b> | <b>217</b> | <b>5.1%</b> |

\* Including iron ore

- ❖ Enormous dependency on port infrastructure is foreseen in the near future.
- ❖ Steel producers intervention in development of ports and berth facilities is needed for improving productivity, turn around time, capacity to handle larger vessels and other operational parameters of efficiency.



## Transportation - Issues

### ❖ Roads

Inadequate road linkages between mines and steel plants.

### ❖ Railways

Limited Rail linkages between mines and steel plants.

Need for high capacity wagons for improving carrying capacity.

Investments for promoting dedicated rail linkages.

### ❖ Ports

Capacity to hold larger size vessels at the ports.

Development of associated infrastructure like weighment facilities, coal holding facilities. More draft for handling larger size vessels.

Railway network needs to be strengthened for handling high capacity at ports

## CONCLUSIONS

❖ India - a dominant economy in 21<sup>st</sup> century.

❖ Government focused approach and interventions are facilitating fast track growth.

❖ Synergy in meeting iron ore and coking coal requirements

❖ Iron Ore: Initiatives for simplification of procedures have begun.....

❖ Joint Ventures and Equity participation abroad by steel and coal companies for augmenting supplies of coking coal.

❖ Investments in beneficiation of non-coking coal as well as establishing Natural Gas as an alternative source for usage in sponge iron industry.