CHAPTER-II

MINING AND QUARRYING

HIGHLIGHTS

- The percentage share of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) from Mining & Quarrying sector to total GDP has not shown much change from 1950-51 to 2008-09 at constant (1999-2000) prices. It ranges from 1.4% to 2.7% during the period.
- The contribution of Gross Capital Formation (GCF) in Mining & Quarrying to total GCF was 0.8% in 1950-51 which increased to 6.7% in 1982-83 but further it started declining and reached at the level of 2.2 % during 2007-08 at 1999-2000 prices.
- The production of Coal was 35 million tonnes in 1950-51 and reached at the level of 493 million tonnes during 2008-09. Similarly, the production of Iron ore increased from 4 million tonnes to 219 million tonnes during the same period. In case of Natural Gas (utilized) the production increased from 17 million cubic meter during 1960-61 to 31804 million cubic meter to 2008-09.