

# KARNATAKA NON-MAJOR PORTS IRON ORE HANDLING POLICY, 2025

## In News

State government approves policy for iron ore exports from non-major ports in Karnataka

## Background



Amid large-scale violation of rules in extraction of iron ore and large quantities of iron ore export illegally, the State government had banned export of iron ore from 10 non-major ports in 2010 under the Karnataka Ports (Landing and Shipping Fees) Act, 1961.



However, in 2022, the Supreme Court allowed export of iron ore from these ports strictly under the policy of Indian government.



It permitted export of iron ore through ports in Karnataka as is being done in the rest of the country.

## About new policy



**Objective :** handling of iron ore through non-major ports under the Karnataka Maritime Board.



To clear the **export of iron ore from minor ports in Karnataka**, the State government approved Karnataka Non-major Ports Iron Ore Handling Policy, 2025



“The policy is a **standard operating procedure** for the export of iron ore from these ports.

