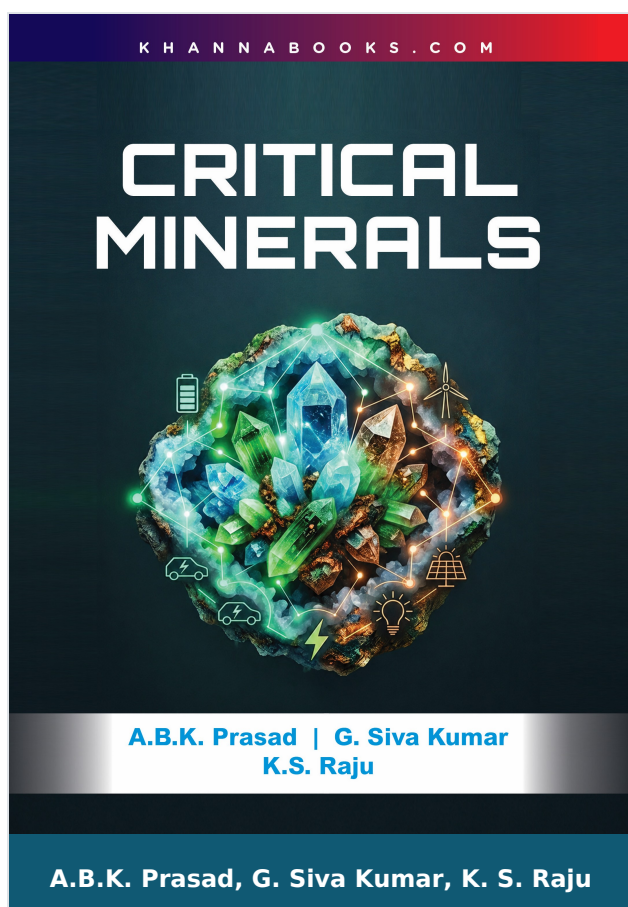




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The global transition from fossil fuel energy to green energy heavily relies on critical minerals containing lithium, nickel, cobalt, copper and Rare Earth Elements (REEs). Critical minerals provide a comprehensive guide to these essential resources, detailing their geological occurrence, mining techniques and processes. It highlights their indispensable role in manufacturing modern technologies from electric vehicle (EV) batteries, wind turbines to advanced digital electronics and strategic defence systems. Beyond the technical aspects, the book critically examines the geopolitical landscape, addressing market monopolies, price volatility, and supply chain uncertainties. It also sheds light on the environmental concerns of mining and India's strategic push for self-reliance through the National Critical Mineral Mission. Written with clarity, it serves as a highly useful resource for university students pursuing engineering, geology, metallurgy, and material sciences, as well as industry professionals navigating this vital sector.

Salient Features

- Strategic Classification:** Classifies critical minerals based on economic importance and global supply
- Rare Earth Elements:** Covers the occurrence and complex chemical extraction processes of REEs
- Lithium Processing:** Details advanced extraction techniques from hard rock pegmatites and continental brines
- Analytical Methods:** Explains the use of advanced analytical instruments like ICP-MS, XRF, and LIBS for precise elemental analysis and mineral identification
- Green Energy:** Explores the use of critical minerals and their compounds in EV motors, wind turbines, and solar panels
- Geopolitics:** Analyses international trade policies, market monopolies and supply chain vulnerabilities
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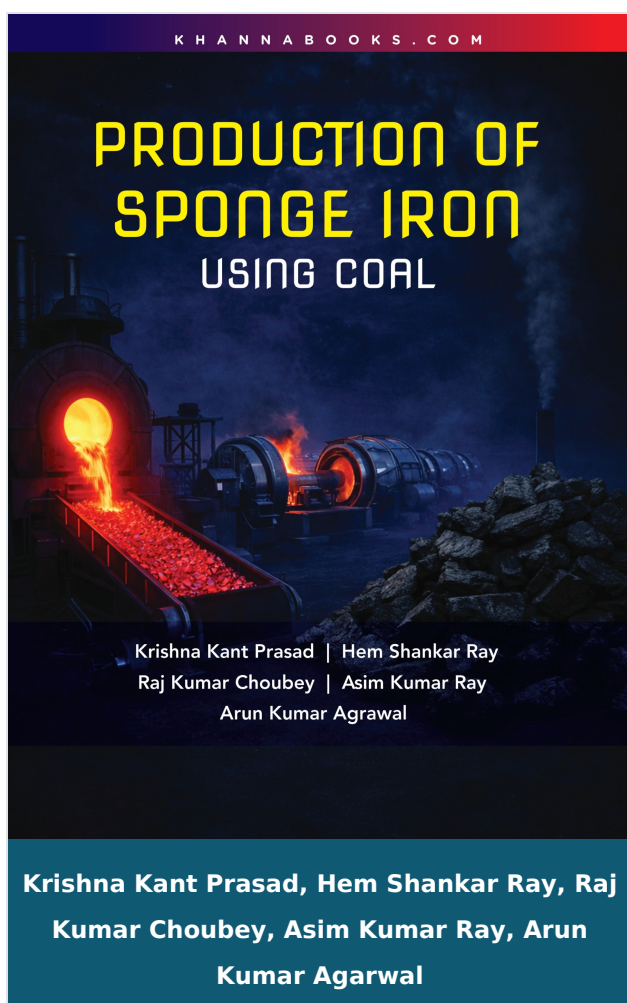
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The book serves as a vital bridge between theoretical research and industrial application, documenting decades of expertise from leading metallurgists. It broadens the traditional focus on rotary kilns to include emerging commercial successes in tunnel kiln technology and coal gasification-based shaft furnaces. Beyond technical specifications, the authors connect modern engineering with India's ancient metallurgical heritage, such as the storied Iron Pillar of Delhi. This work is an essential resource for metallurgical students, researchers, industry professionals, and entrepreneurs seeking to understand the economic and technical nuances of sustainable ironmaking in coal-rich regions.

Salient Features

- **Rotary Kiln Dominance:** Detailed analysis of the rotary kiln's primary role in India, covering its versatility in processing lump hematite and its unique operational strengths and weaknesses.
- **Scientific Process Modeling:** Comprehensive chapters on mathematical modeling, CFD analysis, and reaction kinetics that allow for precise control over heat transfer and solid movement.

- **Alternative Reduction Technologies:** In-depth exploration of tunnel kilns as a viable solution for reducing magnetite and iron ore fines, filling a critical gap in traditional kiln operations.
- **Coal Gasification Insights:** Evaluation of the economic and technical feasibility of converting coal into reducing gas (CO and H) to supplement production in shaft furnaces.
- **Resource Optimization:** Strategies for utilizing high-ash Indian coal and recirculating char to enhance energy efficiency and reduce the environmental footprint of ironmaking.
- **Practical Engineering Focus:** Guidance on plant design, refractory management, and overcoming common industrial hurdles like accretion or "ring formation" inside kilns.
- **Historical Contextualization:** A unique addendum on India's ancient ironmaking legacy, offering a perspective on the longevity and evolution of sponge iron technology.
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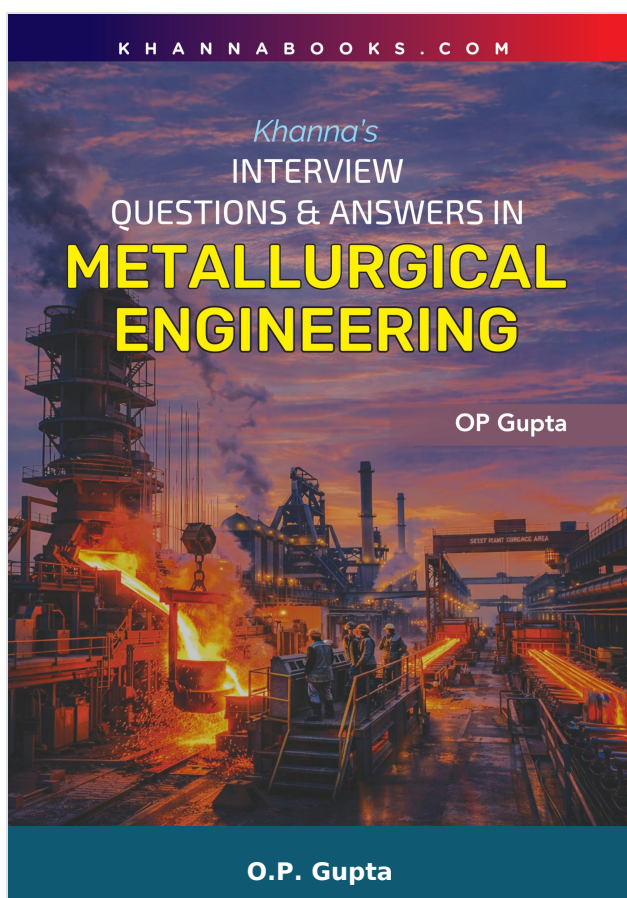
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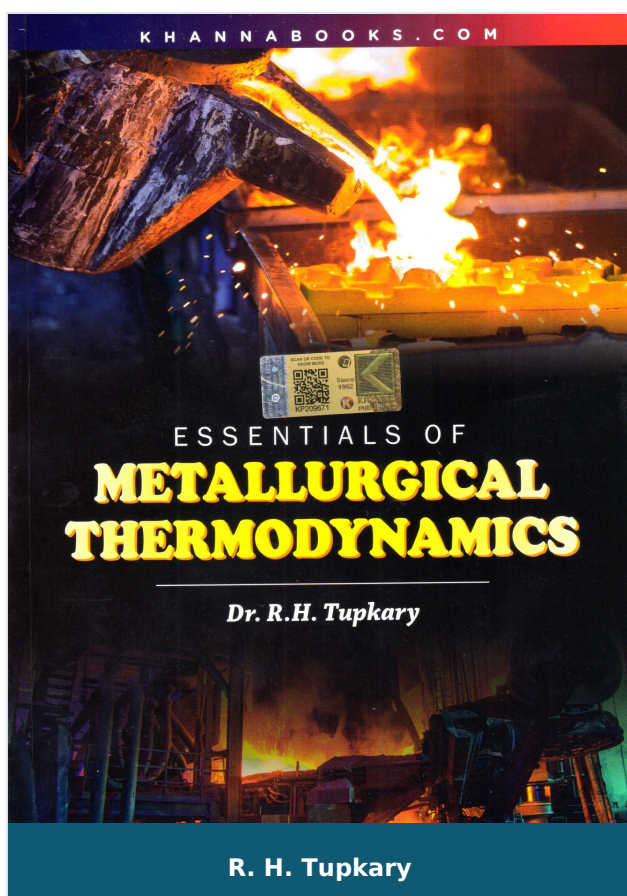
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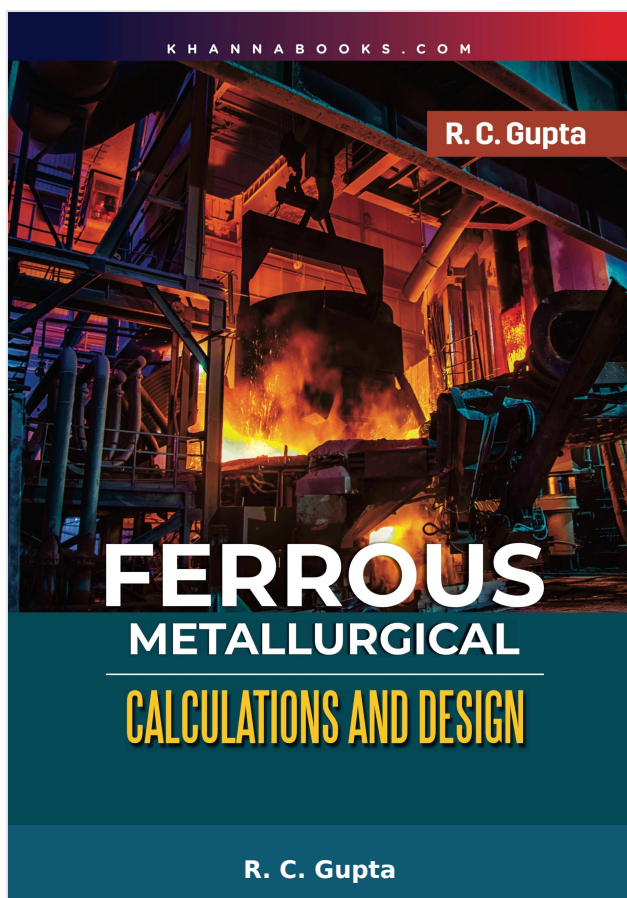
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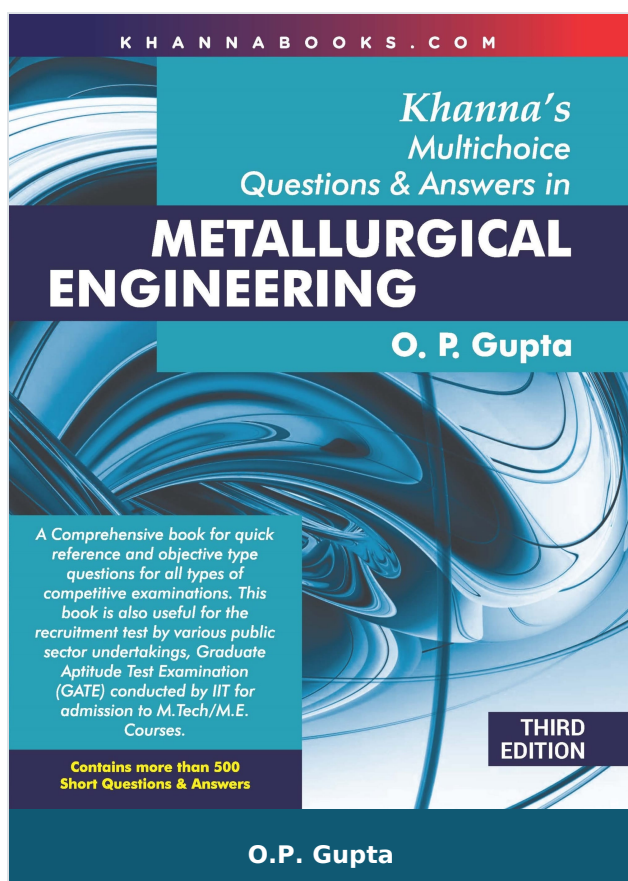
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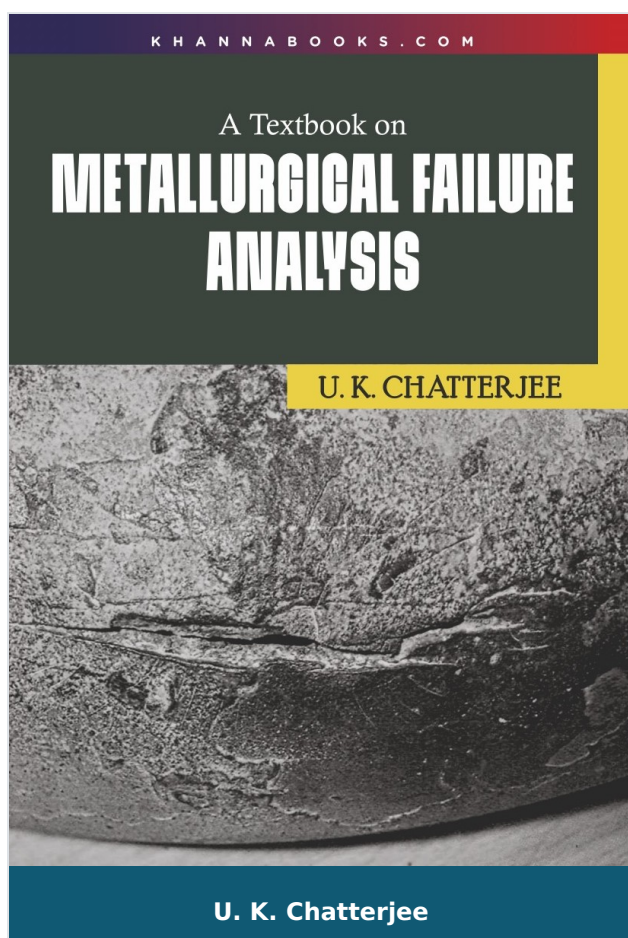
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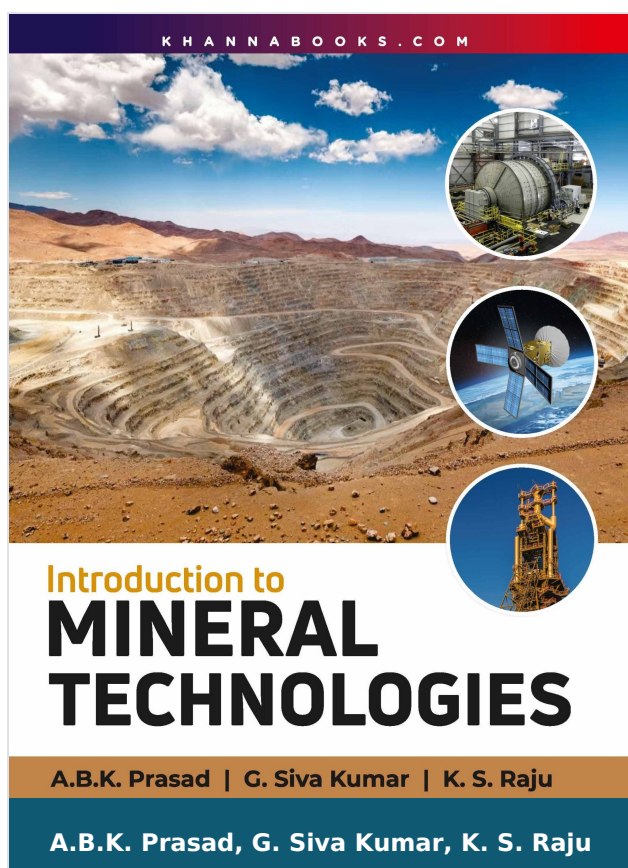
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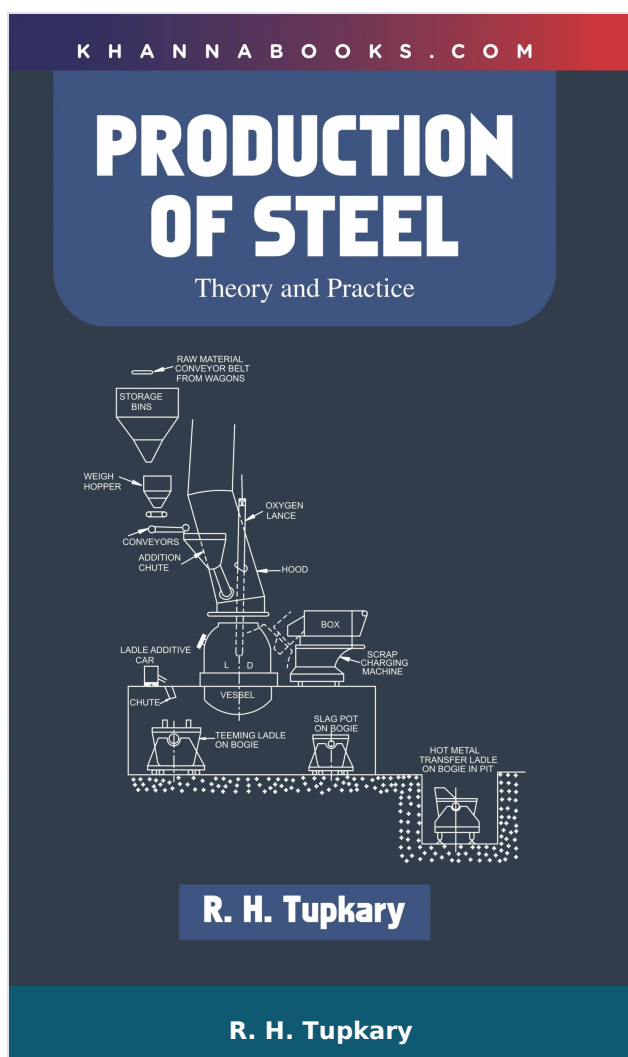
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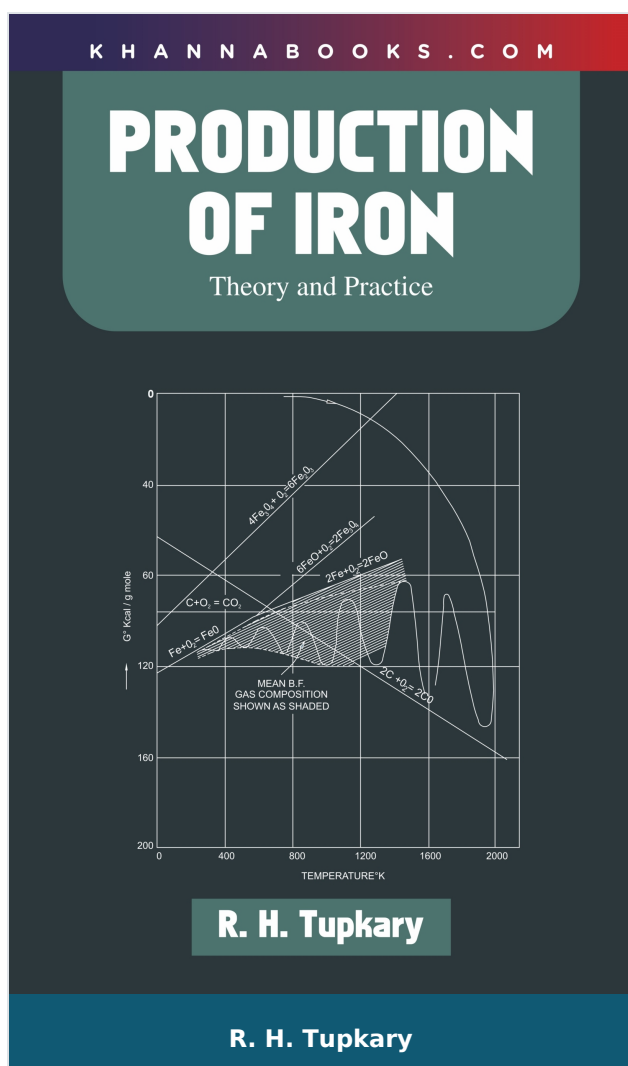
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