

[English]

**Silk Production**

\*637. SHRI H.D. DEVEGOWD: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) the production of silk yarn in the country during each of the last three years.

(b) the quantity of Chinese silk yarn imported during the above period.

(c) whether the import of Chinese silk yarn adversely affected the silk producers in the country in getting the remunerative price; and

(d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI. G. VENKAT SWAMY). (a) The production of raw silk in the country during each of the last three years was as under:

<i>Year</i>	<i>Production in Metric Tonnes</i>
1990-91	12665
1991-92	11863
1992-93	14465 (anticipated)

(b) to (d). During the above period, a total quantity of 49.26 metric tonnes of raw silk was imported from China by the Central Silk Board/Co-optex, Madras to stabilise abnormally high prices in the domestic market and to ensure a steady supply to actual users. In addition, exporters can import silk under the Advance Licensing provisions.

The above import of 49.26 Metric Tonnes was a one time action and was specifically made for stabilisation of prices of raw silk in the local markets.

There have been some representations regarding adverse impact of imports under Advance Licensing on domestic producers. Government is keeping a close watch on the situation.

**Foreign Investment**

\*638. SHRI B.L. SHARMA PREM:  
SHRI SUSHIL CHANDRA VARMA

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to State;

(a) the total amount of investment made by foreign industrialists in India during each of the last three years; and

(b) the percentages such investment bear to the Gross Domestic Product of the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. ABRAR AHMED). (a) The total amount of foreign investment approved by Government of India during the last three years is as follows:-

<i>(Rs. crores)</i>	
1990	128.32
1991	534.11
1992	3887.54

(b) As a percentage of G.D.P. in corresponding financial year, such investment works out to less than 1%, being 0.02, 0.09 and 0.56 respectively.

[Translation]

**D.A. To Government Employees**

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SHRI AMAR ROY PRADHAN: