

*[Translation]***Capital of ICICI**

744. SHRI INDRAJEET MISHRA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the total capital of ICICI at present; and
- (b) the capital invested by ICICI in various institutions for purchase of shares and the present price value of these shares, institution-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (BANKING, REVENUE AND INSURANCE) (SHRI KADAMBUR M.R. JANARTHANAN): (a) ICICI Limited has reported that as on December 31, 1998 their equity share capital was Rs. 478.37 crore and the preference Share Capital was Rs. 1193.88 crore.

(b) As part of normal term lending activity ICICI Ltd. takes up equity of the assisted companies. ICICI Ltd. has reported that the capital invested by them in various institutions including subsidiaries of ICICI Ltd. for purchase of shares is Rs. 704.45 crore while the market value of these shares as at December 31, 1998 is Rs. 883.78 crores.

*[English]***Export of Soyameal**

745. SHRI S.S. OWAISI:
SHRI PRASAD BABURAO TANPURE:

Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the export of soyameal made during each of the last three years, country-wise;
- (b) the target fixed for export during 1998-99 and the extent to which it has been achieved;
- (c) whether the Government propose to enhance the export of soyameal in view of the bumper crop of soyabean; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI RAMAKRISHNA HEGDE): (a) The total quantity and value of soyameal exported during the last three years is as

follows:—

Quantity: in MTs
Value : in Rs. crores

Year	Quantity	Value
1996-97	2981749	2731.23
1997-98	2871569	2718.25
1998-99 (April-Sept., 98)	698685	489.90

(Source: DGCI&S, Calcutta)

Country-wise details of exports are given in the monthly bulletin/annual numbers of Foreign Trade Statistics of India published by the Directorate General of Commercial Intelligence and Statistics, Calcutta, copies of which are available in the Parliament Library.

(b) A target of US\$ 750 million has been fixed for export of oilmeals (including soyabean meal) during 1998-99. During the period April-November, 1998 the value of exports of oilmeals have been US\$ 216.9 millions (US1 \$=Rs. 42.50).

(c) and (d) Yes Sir. Some of the steps taken to enhance the export of oilmeals includes participation in International trade fairs, arranging buyer-seller meets and sponsoring trade delegation abroad.

Export of Flowers

746. SHRI AMAR PAL SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government propose to give a new thrust to the export of flowers including Orchida from the hills and Himalayan regions of the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor;
- (d) whether the Arunachal Pradesh and Sikkim are the two largest orchidology centres in the country; and
- (e) if so, the steps taken by the Government to boost the export of flowers and orchida from the country?