GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FINANCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4994 ANSWERED ON:25.08.2000 SEIZURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCY **RAVIPRAKASH VERMA**

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount of smuggled goods and foreign currency seized by customs officials during 1998- 1999 and 1999-2000 and upto July 2000, State-wise;
- (b) the number of persons arrested during the above period, State-wise; and
- (c) the steps taken to check the entry of smuggled goods and foreign currency in the country in future?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (REVENUE) IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI V. DHANANJAYA KUMAR)

- (a) & (b): The amount of foreign currency & other smuggled goods seized and the number of persons arrested, by Customs officials, during 1998-99, 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 (upto July, 2000), state/union - territory wise, are as per Annexures I,II & III.
- (c): All the field formations of the Customs Department including the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence are ever vigilant & alert to detect and prevent smuggling of foreign currency and other smuggled goods in the country.

ANNEXURE-I

Statement indicating the amount of smuggled goods & foreign currency seized by the customs officials during year 1998-99

Year:1998-99 (Rs. in Lakhs)

Unio Ter	. State/ Some State Stat	Persons gn Other	3	
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	74.59	2211.94	07
2	ASSAM	20.00	440.93	24
3	BIHAR	1.42	3024.76	
4	DELHI	544.38	8391.72	111
5	GOA	011.00	317.87	10
6	GUJARAT	9.06	5314.37	12
7	KARNATAKA	10.00	1506.98	05
8	KERALA	94.19	2196.30	35
9	MADHYA PRADESH		14.70	
10	MAHARASHTRA	972.78	36533.24	103
11	MANIPUR	516.97	98.00	09
12	MEGHALAYA	50.00	59.59	10
13	MIZORAM	38.00	22.00	
14	ORISSA		82.00	02
15	PUNJAB		691.57	13
16	RAJASTHAN	0.92	143.56	10
17	TAMILNADU	71.61	6922.59	72
18	TRIPURA	21.00	51.00	01
19	UTTAR PRADESH	5.90	1614.94	73
20	WEST BENGAL	265.63	2395.96	111
TOTAL:		2696.45	72034.02	615

Year:1999-2000 (Rs. in Lakhs)

S.No. State/ Value of smuggled goods seized No. of Union Persons Territories Foreign Other Arrested Currency smuggled goods									
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	94.44	1918.24	06					
2	ASSAM	3.00	253.50	22					
3	BIHAR		3208.88	103					
4	DELHI	664.71	11741.70	86					
5	GOA	13.83	714.32	13					
6	GUJARAT	4.33	80060.37	10					
7	KARNATAKA	18.90	2705.21	24					
8	KERALA	87.74	3035.17	29					
9	MADHYA PRADESH		118.90	02					
10	MAHARASHTRA	426.81	17382.62	129					
11	MANIPUR	127.00	137.00	01					
12	MEGHALAYA	8.00	33.00	08					
13	MIZORAM	46.00	35.00						
14	ORISSA		13.00	03					
15	PUNJAB		579.89	33					
16	RAJASTHAN		13.90	02					
17	TAMILNADU	285.92	21317.31	127					
18	TRIPURA	21.00	100.00	01					
19	UTTAR PRADESH	145.04	2562.43	90					
20	WEST BENGAL	100.98	7192.10	149					
TOTAL		2047.70	153122.54	828					

ANNEXURE-III

Statement indicating the amount of smuggled goods & foreign currency seized by the customs officials during year 2000-01

Year:2000-01 (Upto July, 2000) (Rs. in Lakhs)

S.No. State/ Value of smuggled goods seized No. of Union Persons
Territories Foreign Other Arrested Currency smuggled goods

2	ASSAM		27.94	01	
3	BIHAR	29.44	939.71	48	
4	DELHI	282.26	2757.28	28	
5	GOA	7.80	36.41	03	
6	GUJARAT		1670.30	02	
7	KARNATAKA		96.57	06	
8	KERALA	34.79	235.10	03	
9	MADHYA PRADESH		5.62	03	
10	MAHARASHTRA	156.57	2194.41	56	
11	MANIPUR	31.00	18.00		
12	MEGHALAYA		15.00	03	
13	MIZORAM	17.00	4.00		
14	ORISSA		1.00		
15	PUNJAB		866.88	08	
16	RAJASTHAN		2.39		
17	TAMILNADU	132.22	1735.03	43	
18	TRIPURA	5.00	18.00		
19	UTTAR PRADESH	0.41	1441.93	17	
20	WEST BENGAL	77.17	826.62	56	
TOT	FAL:	774.87	13643.36	278	