GOVERNMENT OF INDIA OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:390 ANSWERED ON:02.03.2005 REVIEW OF INVESTMENTS BY NRIs Goel Shri Surendra Prakash;Rana Shri Kashi Ram;Renge Patil Shri Tukaram Ganpatrao;Subba Shri Moni Kumar;Thummar Shri Virjibhai;Yadav Shri Giridhari

Will the Minister of OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government keeps any centralised record of actual investments, made by the Non-Resident Indians (NRIs);

(b) if not, the reasons therefor ;

(c) whether the Government has conducted any review on investments, made by NRIs;

(d) if so, the strategy adopted for the same and the time when such a review was last done including the outcome thereof; and

(e) the concrete steps being adopted by the Government to attract NRI investment in India?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN MINISTRY OF OVERSEAS INDIAN AFFAIRS (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER)

(a to e) The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) maintains centralised record of investment made by NRIs. Based on data furnished by RBI, the inflows from August, 1991 to December, 2004 is as enclosed herewith. The review of FDI policy, including NRI investment, is an ongoing process.

NRI Investment-FDI Approvals & Inflows (from August 1991 to December 2004)

Year-wise (Jan-Dec) Amount of NRI inflows + NRI schemes of RBI#

Rupees in cr. US \$ in million

1991 (Aug-Dec) 162.30 66.32 1992 153.00 58.48 1993 596.99 194.77 1994 1,221.29 389.32 2,106.89 670.98 1995 1996 2,280.23 663.05 1997 1,105.46 308.19 1998 389.15 98.52 359.17 85.51 349.61 81.30 1999 2000 2001 252.24 56.05 29.34 6.11 208.55 45.34 2002 2003 2004 247.46 53.80 TOTAL (1991-2004) 9,461.68 2,777.74

Note 1. # = Amount of FDI inflows received on account of NRI schemes sponsored by RBI. 2. NRI's inflows share is 7.07% with total FDI inflows.