GOVERNMENT OF INDIA FINANCE LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3737 ANSWERED ON:11.12.2009 SMUGGLING OF GOLD Rawat Shri Ashok Kumar

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the year-wise number of cases of gold smuggling that have come to light during the last three years and the current year;

(b) whether the Government has taken or proposes to take any steps to check the said smuggling; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

(Rs.in crores)

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S.PALANIMANICKAM)

(a) The year-wise number of cases of gold smuggling that have come to light during the last three years and the current year are as follows:-

Year No.of cases. Value of seized gold 2006-07 55 2.32 2007-08 66 2.30 2008-09 66 24.86 2009-2010 90 9.60

(up to Nov,09)

(b)&(c): All Customs field formations including Directorate of Revenue Intelligence are alert and vigilant to prevent and thwart attempts to smuggle Gold in to the country.