

1	2	3
Yamuna Vihar . . . . .	30-6-91	17-2-92
Okhla . . . . .	30-6-91	31-3-92
Vasant Kunj . . . . .	20-3-92	31-3-92
Sena Bhavan . . . . .	16-1-92	16-1-92
Alipur . . . . .	10-3-92	10-3-92
Janakpuri . . . . .	15-1-92	Current
Paschim Vihar . . . . .	10-3-92	Current

**Yield of tea**

105. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA:  
Will the Minister of COMMERCE be  
pleased to state:

(a) what has been the average per  
hectare yield of tea during the last  
three years; year-wise;

(b) what are the comparative  
figures of other tea producing coun-  
tries; and

(c) what steps are being taken by  
Government to increase the yield of  
tea?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF  
THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE  
(SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) The  
average per hectare yield during the  
last three years is given below:—

Year	Yield (Kg./ Ha.)
1989 . . . . .	1652
1990 . . . . .	1707*
1991 . . . . .	1761*

\*Estimated.

(b) The average yield of tea per  
ha. in the major tea producing coun-

tries of the world during 1989 and  
1990 is as follows:

	(Kg./ha.)	
Country	1989	1990
Sri Lanka . . . . .	936	1055
Bangladesh . . . . .	824	946
Indonesia . . . . .	1092	1162
Kenya . . . . .	2063	2031
Japan . . . . .	1534	1537

(c) The Tea Board has been op-  
erating various developmental sche-  
mes for increasing tea production and  
productivity. These schemes provide  
for long-term loan, subsidy and  
grants-in-aid for the purpose of new  
planting, replanting, rejuvenation and  
infilling, creation of irrigation facili-  
ties, procurement of processing ma-  
chinerics, etc.

**Export target of Gems and Jewellery**

106. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA:  
Will the Minister of COMMERCE be  
pleased to state:

(a) what has been the target and  
actuals of export of gems and jewel-  
lery during the last five years;

(b) what is the element of import  
content in these exports;

(c) what steps have been taken by Govt. to increase value added in these exports; and

(d) whether the clauses of new import-export policy regarding invoices in dollar terms is causing considerable hardship to the gems and jewellery exports?

and (b) The target, import of raw materials and exports of gem and jewellery during the last five years were;

(Value Rs. in crores)

Year	Target	Imports	Exports
1991-92	6500	5171.01	7193.50
1990-91	5950	3914.47	5360.24
1989-90	5500	4400.00	5479.37
1988-89	4400	3319.00	4565.28
1987-88	2606	2095.00	2652.56

(SOURCE: Gem and Jewellery EPC)

(c) Exporters of gem and jewellery are provided access to raw materials through imprest and replenishment licences which give greater incentive for higher value addition.

(d) No such hardship has been brought to the notice of Government or to the notice of the Gem and Jewellery Export Promotion Council.

#### Reducing restriction on U.S. and other foreign investments in India

107. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Foreign Secretary in his discussions with US representatives during his last visit to USA had agreed to reducing of restrictions on US and other foreign investments in India and to protecting intellectual property rights; and

(b) if so, to what extent?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a)

and (b) During his visit to Washington from 9-11 March, 1992, the Foreign Secretary also had a meeting with the U.S. Trade Representatives. In this meeting, the Uruguay Round issues came up for discussion, especially pertaining to negotiations on Textiles and Clothing, Market Access, and Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPs). The two sides agreed to maintain bilateral contacts at Geneva for further discussion on these issues. No commitment was made on India's behalf for reducing restrictions on U.S. and other foreign investments or for protecting intellectual property rights.

#### India's exports to hard currency areas in dollars terms

108. SHRI DINESHBHAI TRIVEDI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the total export in Dollar terms from India to hard currency areas during the years 1989-90, 1990-91 and 1991-92;