

(b) The import of gold has declined from 589 MT in 2011-12 (April-October) to 398 MT in 2012-13 (April-October). In value terms it has declined from Rs. 1,40,264 crores to Rs.1,14,833 crores.

(c) and (d) Gold imports have declined during the first half of 2012-13, however, trade deficit has increased marginally in this period due to increase in imports of other items.

Reasons for increase of Government debt

1456. SHRI T.M. SELVAGANAPATHI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government's debt increased by 3.6 per cent to Rs. 39,00,386 crore during the second quarter of this fiscal from as compared to Rs. 37,63,264 crore in the previous quarter;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the reasons for the debt increase is marked rise in the internal debt component; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA): (a) and (b) Yes Sir. Details are as under:

(Rs. crores)				
	As on 30.9.2012		As on 30.6.2012	
	Amount	%	Amount	%
Public Debt	3900386	100	3763264	100
Internal Debt	3527405	90.4	3369957	89.6
External Debt	372981	9.6	393307	10.4

(c) and (d) The share of internal debt in public debt went up marginally from 89.6% to 90.4%.

Additional capital requirements of Indian Banks by March, 2018

1457. SHRI T.M. SELVAGANAPATHI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state: