Summary

Kindly find below the summary of provisional figures of Import of gems & jewellery items during April -October 2008 as compared to same period last year.

NET IMPORTS OF GEMS & JEWELLERY

	April-October'08 (Provisional)		April-October'07		% Growth / decline	
ITEMS			(Same ports as current year)		over previous Year	
	Rs. In	US \$ in	Rs. In	US \$ in	Rs.	US\$
	Crores	Million	Crores	Million		
Rough Diamonds	27305.56	6364.93	23738.79	5736.78	15.03	10.95
(Quantity in Lakh Carats)	(941.16)		(1012.0425)			
Gold Bar	5420.50	1263.52	5968.24	1442.30	-9.18	-12.40
Others **	2099.94	489.49	504.44	121.90	316.29	301.55
Total	34826.00	8117.95	30211.47	7300.98	15.27	11.19
Cut & Polished Diamonds	19208.19	4477.43	11247.90	2718.20	70.77	64.72
Others ***	1347.05	314.00	1423.75	344.07	-5.39	-8.74
Total Imports	55381.24	12909.38	42883.12	10363.25	29.14	24.57

NOTE:

- 1) ** Data of Rough Col. Gemstone, Raw Pearls, Rough Synthetic stones, Silver Bar & Platinum.
- 2) *** Data of Gold Finding/Mounting/Casting, Gold Jewellery, Non-Gold Jewellery & Col. Gemstones.
- 3. Above Figures for Rough Diamonds are Gross Imports (without substracting export of rough diamonds)
 - i) Figs of Gold Bar from Bangalore not included for the month of April October 2007
 - ii) Figs of Gold Bar from MMTC, Bank of India not included for the month of Oct 08
 - iii) Figs from MEPZ Chennai

Exchange Rate

April - Oct 2008 1 US\$=Rs.	42.9
April - Oct 2007 1 US\$=Rs.	41.38