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

NET IMPORTS OF GEMS & JEWELLERY

	April-June'08		April-June'07		% Growth / decline	
ITEMS	(Provisional)		(Same ports as current year)		over previous Year	
	Rs. in	US\$ in	Rs. in	US\$ in	Rs	US\$
	Crores	Million	Crores	Million	%	%
Rough Diamonds	13172.44	3185.60	10548.23	2496.62	24.88	27.60
(Quantity in Lakh Carats)	(443.332)	0.00	(420.5795)	0.00		
Gold Bar	2177.59	526.62	3589.78	849.65	-39.34	-38.02
Others **	156.18	37.77	222.68	52.71	-29.86	-28.34
Total	15506.21	3749.99	14360.69	3398.98	7.98	10.33
Cut & Polished Diamonds	7473.69	1807.42	3607.66	853.88	107.16	111.67
Others ***	548.69	132.70	637.28	150.84	-13.90	-12.03
Total Imports	23528.60	5690.11	18605.64	4403.70	26.46	29.21

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 for Gold Bar from Bangalore not included from April to June 2008
 - ii) Figiures from MEPZ not received for June 2008

Exchange Rate

April - June 2008 1 US\$=Rs 41.35 April - June 2007 1 US\$=Rs. 42.25