

Kindly find below the summary of provisional figures of Import of gems & jewellery items during April -May 2009 as compared to same period last year.

NET IMPORTS OF GEMS & JEWELLERY

ITEMS	April-May'09 (Provisional)		April-May'08 (Same ports as current year)		% Growth / decline over previous Year	
	Rs. In Crores	US \$ in Million	Rs. In Crores	US \$ in Million	Rs.	US \$
Rough Diamonds (Quantity in Lakh Carats)	5320.72 (173)	1046.36	7750.14 (294.245)	1914.56	-31.35	-45.35
Gold Bar	3593.83	706.75	2710.51	669.59	32.59	5.55
Others **	92.79	18.25	257.63	63.64	-63.98	-71.32
Total	9007.34	1771.36	10718.28	2647.80	-15.96	-33.10
Cut & Polished Diamonds	4472.90	879.63	4672.00	1154.15	-4.26	-23.79
Others ***	331.65	65.22	370.52	91.53	-10.49	-28.74
Total Imports	13811.90	2716.20	15760.80	3893.48	-12.37	-30.24

NOTE :

- 1) ** Data of Rough Col. Gemstone, Raw Pearls, Rough Synthetic stones, Silver Bar & Platinum.
2. Above Figures for Rough Diamonds are Gross Imports (without subtracting export of rough diamonds)
 - i) Figs for Gold Bar from SBI, Corporation Bank, Bank of India & Union Bank of India not included in May 2009
 - ii) Figures from MEPZ & MMTC not received May 2009

Exchange Rate

April - May 2009 1 US\$=Rs.	50.85
April- May 2008 1 US\$=Rs.	40.48