

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

NET IMPORTS OF GEMS & JEWELLERY

ITEMS	April-July'08 (Provisional)		April-July'07 (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)	18088.09 (603.846)	4326.26	14949.59 (616.9045)	3563.67	20.99	21.40
Gold Bar	2951.53	705.94	4814.55	1147.69	-38.70	-38.49
Others **	173.71	41.55	301.69	71.91	-42.42	-42.22
Total	21213.32	5073.74	20065.84	4783.27	5.72	6.07
Cut & Polished Diamonds	10908.90	2609.16	5585.12	1331.37	95.32	95.98
Others ***	673.40	161.06	773.65	184.42	-12.96	-12.67
Total Imports	32795.63	7843.97	26424.60	6299.07	24.11	24.53

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. Figures for April 2008 / July 2008 are provisional and subject to revision.

- i) Figs for Gold Bar from Bangalore not included from April 2008 onwards
- ii) Figs for Gold Bar from MMTC not included July 2008

Exchange Rate

April - July 2008 1 US\$=Rs.	41.81
April- July 2007 1 US\$=Rs.	41.95