GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3917

TO BE ANSWERED ON <u>FRIDAY 10TH AUGUST, 2018</u> SHRAVANA 19, 1940 [SAKA]

SCAM IN DIAMOND IMPORTS

3917. SHRI SHIVKUMAR UDASI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Rs. 2000 crore scam in imports of diamond has been reported recently and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has inquired into the alleged scam and has fixed responsibility in this regard; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reason therefor?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE [REVENUE] (SHRI SHIV PRATAP SHUKLA)

(a) Investigation has been undertaken in respect of a few consignments of 'Rough Diamonds'. In some cases, the value was re-assessed at Rs 1.2 crore as against the declared value of Rs 156 crore. Similarly, in some other cases, the consignments were valued at Rs 2.62 crore, as against the declared value of Rs 62.66 crore

(b) & (c) The matter is under investigation and 4 persons have been arrested so far.

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