GOVERNMENT OF INDIA MINISTRY OF FINANCE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1376 TO BE ANSWERED ON DECEMBER 06, 2021

FOREIGN EXCHANGE RESERVES

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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the foreign exchange reserves of India have fallen significantly in the last two years;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Government has taken any measures to increase the foreign exchange reserves of the country; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FINANCE (SHRI PANKAJ CHAUDHARY)

(a) & (b): No Sir. India currently has the fourth largest foreign exchange reserves in the world. The foreign exchange reserves during the last three years are presented in Table 1 below.

Table 1: India's Foreign Exchange Reserves

As at end of Financial Year	Foreign Exchange Reserves (US\$ Billion)
2018-19	412.9
2019-20	477.8
2020-21	577.0
2021-22 (As on 19th November 2021)	640.4

Source: Reserve Bank of India

(c) & (d): Question does not arise.
