

## BRIEF NOTE

### **Subject :- Import of Sensitive Items during April-June 2006.**

The total import of sensitive items for the period April-June 2006 has been Rs 4353 crores as compared to Rs 4086 crores during the corresponding period last year thereby showing an increase of 6.5%. The gross import of all commodity during same period of current year was Rs 186078 crores as compared to Rs 150007 crores during the same period of last year. Thus import of sensitive items constitute 2.7% and 2.3% of the gross imports during last year and current year respectively.

2. Imports of spices, tea & coffee and Alcoholic beverages and automobiles have shown a decline at broad group level during the period. Imports of edible oil, fruits & vegetables (including nuts), cotton & silk, products of SSI, rubber, marble & Granite and milk & milk products have shown increase during the period under reference.

3. In the edible oil segment, the imports has increased from Rs 2013 crores last year to Rs 2394 crores for the corresponding period of this year. A significant feature of edible oil import is that import of crude oil has gone up by 33.5% and that of refined oil have gone down by 57.8%. The growth in edible oil import is mainly due to significant increase in import Soyabean Oil and its fractions, which has gone up by 59% and Crude Palm Oil and its fractions which has gone up by 15%.

4. Imports of sensitive items from Indonesia, Argentina, United States of America, China P RP, Sri Lanka DSR, Cote D' Ivory, Germany, Japan, Australia etc. have gone up while those from Malaysia, Brazil, Egypt A RP, Benin, Ghana have shown a decrease.