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and imported during 1992-93;

Trade Relations Between India and China

*252. SHRI RAJENDRA KUMAR SHARMA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether trade relations between India and China have improved;

(b) if so, the details of items exported

(c) whether India is fulfilling the total demand of China for wheat and sugar; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Information is readily available only for the period April-October, 1992 which is as under:

<i>India's Imports from China</i>	<i>Value (Rs. in Crores)</i>	<i>India's Exports to China</i>	<i>Value (Rs. Crores)</i>
Raw Silk	29.40	Iron ore	39.35
Crude minerals	11.05	Leather and manufacture	49.23
Coal, Coke and Briquettes	25.12	Engineering items other than machinery, instrument and transport equipment	10.41
Organic chemicals	35.93	Iron and steel bars/rods etc.	10.50
Others	79.74	Others	24.05
Total	182.14	Total	133.54

(Sources: DGCI &S, Calcutta)

Information for the remaining period of the year 1992-93 will be collected and laid on the Table of the House.,

(c) India has not received any demand from China for supply of wheat and sugar.

(d) Question does not arise.

Asset Reconstruction Fund[*English*]

*253. SHRI D. VENKATESWARA RAO: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Reserve Bank of India has decided to set up an Asset Reconstruction Fund for smaller weak banks;

(b) if so, whether the Narasimham Committee's recommendations regarding merging of weak banks with stronger banks have been accepted and implemented; and

(c) if not, the time by which a final decision in this regard is likely to be taken?

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