

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
FINANCE  
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:945  
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DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN DEBT  
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**Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the burden of domestic and foreign debts on the country has been continuously increasing for the last few years;
- (b) if so, the quantum of domestic and foreign debts separately, on the country during 1991-92 and also upto the end of March,2000;
- (c) whether the interest on these debts has also continuously increased;
- (d) if so, the amount of interest on the above debts during 1991-92 and also the amount of interest upto the end of March,2000 and
- (e) the total amount of interest vis-a-vis the amount realised by the Government through taxes during 1999-2000?

**Answer**

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL)

- (a) The quantum of internal and external debts has been increasing for the last few years.
- (b) The quantum of internal debt and foreign debt during 1991-92 and end of March, 2000 was as follows:-

(Rs. Crore)

1991-92      At the end of March, 2000

Internal Debt	172750	728627
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External debt (on book value)	36948	57603
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- (c) The interest on these debts has been increasing.
- (d) The quantum of interest paid on internal debt and external debt during 1991-92 and the end of March, 2000 was as follows:-

(Rs. Crore)

1991-92      At the end of March, 2000

Interest on Domestic market Debt	11317	47463
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Interest on External debt	2704	4393
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- (e) The tax realisation (net to Centre) during 1999-2000 was Rs. 126469 crore (RE 1999-2000). The interest payment on internal debt and external debt during 1999-2000 as per Revised Estimates was Rs. 51856 crore.