

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FINANCE
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS
RAJYA SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO. 3

TO BE ANSWERED ON 11th DECEMBER, 2018/20th AGRAHAYANA SAKA, 1940

Gains from demonetisation

***3. KUMARI SELJA:**

QUESTION

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has received back all the demonetised high value currency notes of ₹500 and ₹1000 as per its annual report of 2017-18;
- (b) whether a study or audit has been conducted to identify the gains accrued from demonetisation, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether the cash in circulation in the economy has increased vis-a-vis the time before demonetisation and if so, the details thereof; and
- (d) whether Government has obtained the high value currency notes in circulation in Nepal and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF FINANCE
(SHRI ARUN JAITLEY)**

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO RAJYA SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 3 RAISED BY KUMARI SELJA, HON'BLE MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT TO BE ANSWERED ON 11.12.2018 REGARDING GAINS FROM DEMONETISATION

(a): As per data published in Annual report 2017-18 of the Reserve Bank of India, the total value of Specified Bank Notes (SBNs) in circulation as on November 08, 2016, post verification and reconciliation, was Rs.15,417.93 billion, and the total value of SBNs returned from circulation was Rs.15,310.73 billion.

(b): No Sir.

(c): The notes in circulation as on November 4, 2016 was Rs.17,741.87 billion which has now increased to Rs.19,850.09 billion as on November 23, 2018. The notes in circulation had grown at an average growth rate of 14.51 % year on year wise since Oct 2014. At this rate, notes in circulation would have been Rs 23,418.24 billion as on Nov 23, 2018. In terms of GDP, Notes in Circulation declined from 11.63% in 2016-17 to 10.63% in 2018-19 on 8th November of respective years.

(d): No Sir.
