

SIXTH PROGRESS REPORT ON THE ACTION TAKEN PURSUANT TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JOINT PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE ON STOCK MARKET SCAM AND MATTERS RELATING THERETO

INTRODUCTION

The Report of the Joint Parliamentary Committee on Stock Market Scam and matters relating thereto was presented to the Parliament on 19th December 2002. In Para 3.31, the JPC recommended that the Government should present its Action Taken Report to the Parliament within six months and, thereafter, a Progress Report every six months until action on all the recommendations has been fully implemented to the satisfaction of Parliament. The Government submitted the Action Taken Report to the Parliament on 9.5.2003. First Progress Report was presented in the Lok Sabha/Rajya Sabha on 12.12.2003 and 16.12.2003 respectively, Second Progress Report on 10.6.2004, third on 09.12.2004, fourth on 29.7.2005 and fifth on 20.12.2005.

2. JPC had made 276 recommendations/observations/conclusions. In the ATR presented to the Parliament during May 2003, final response of the Government in respect of 111 recommendations had been given. In the Progress Report presented during December, 2003, action was completed on 39 recommendations. In the Second Progress Report action was completed on 36 recommendations, in the Third Progress Report on 18 recommendations, in the Fourth Progress Report on 23 recommendations and in the Fifth Progress Report on 06 recommendations. Action has been completed on further 03 recommendations which brings down the number of pending recommendations to 40.

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Reply of Government/Action Taken

Further Progress

2.15 The Committee note that Ketan Parekh who emerged as a key player in this scam received large sums of money from the banks as well as from the Corporate bodies during the period when SENSEX was falling rapidly. This led the Committee to believe that there was a nexus between Ketan Parekh, banks and the corporate houses. The Committee recommend that this nexus be further investigated by SEBI or Department of Company Affairs expeditiously.

As reported in May, 2003

SEBI had conducted investigations into the alleged market manipulations. Based on investigations, SEBI had taken actions as given below:

- 1. SEBI vide Orders dated April 4, 2001 and April 10, 2001 under section 11B of the SEBI Act debarred Classic Shares and Stock Broking Services (CSSB), Triumph Securities Ltd (TSL), Triumph International Finance India Ltd (TIFL), NH Securities Ltd. (NH Sec), V N Parekh Securities Ltd (VNP Sec), KNP Securities Ltd (KNP Sec), the entities controlled by and connected with Mr. Ketan Parekh, and their directors Mr. Ketan Parekh and Mr. Kartik Parekh from undertaking any fresh business as a stock broker or merchant banker.
- 2. SEBI has cancelled the certificate of registration granted to Triumph International Finance India Ltd to act as a stock broker.
 3. Adjudication order dated July 31, 2002 passed against Ketan Parekh entities namely Classic Credit Ltd, Panther Investrade Ltd for their dealings in shares of Aftek Infosys Ltd, levying a penalty of Rs. 5 lacs.
- 4. Certificate of registration of Credit Suisse First Boston (I) Securities Pvt Ltd (CSFB Securities) has been suspended for the period of two years w.e.f. April 18, 2001 for aiding, abeting and assisting Ketan Parekh entities in market manipulations.
- 5. Applications submitted by M/s Credit Suisse First Boston (a Foreign Institutional Investor), for renewal of its FII registration and also renewal/registration of its sub-accounts viz. Kallar Kahar Investments Limited, Credit Suisse First Boston (Cyprus) Limited and Credit Suisse First Boston, Singapore Branch have been rejected by SEBI.
- 6. Prosecutions have been filed on March 7, 2003 vide case no 123/2003 in the court of Addl. Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, 8th Court, Esplanade, Mumbai against the following entities connected/associated with Ketan Parekh:
 - 1. Classic Credit Ltd
 - 2. Shri Kirtikumar N. Parekh

DSQ Software

The Directors/promoters of DSQ Software Ltd. had appealed against SEBI's order dated 9.9.2005. SAT vide order dated 8.12.2005 has pronounced the following:

- Order against directors of DSQ Software Ltd. other than Dinesh Dalmia has been upheld by SAT and on considering the period already undergone by the directors, SAT observed that no further prohibition is required.
- SAT has upheld SEBI's order against Dinesh Dalmia and DSQ Software Ltd. with modification.

SEBI has filed an application to SAT for clarification of SAT's order dated 8.12.2005 against Dinesh Dalmia and DSQ Software Ltd.

<u>Padmini Technologies LTD. (PTL)</u> Against PTL and its whole time director

After the final order of SAT, an amount of Rs. 1,00,000 was deposited by Shri Vivek Nagpal with SEBI. PTL also deposited a sum of Rs. 1,50,000/- with SEBI.

In respect of proceedings u/s 11B of SEBI Act, an opportunity of fresh personal hearing for PTL & its directors was scheduled for 15.12.2005, which has been postponed.

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- 3. Shri Ketan V Parekh
- 4. Shri Kartik K Parekh
- Panther Fincap & Mgt. Services Ltd.
- 6. Shri Navinchandra Parekh
- 7. Luminant Investment Private Ltd.
- 8. Shri Arun J Shah
- 9. Chitrakut Computers Pvt. Ltd
- 10. NH Securities Ltd.
- 11. Shri V N Parekh
- 12. Classic Shares & Stock Broker Ltd
- 13. Shri Kaushik C Shah
- 14. Shri Mukesh Joshi
- 15. Saimangal Investrade Ltd
- 16. Classic Infin Ltd
- 17. Panther Investrade Ltd.
- 7. SEBI has also taken actions against promoters wherever the violations of SEBI Act and Regulations have been observed. Details of such actions given below:
- a. Actions against DSQ Software Ltd and their promoters
- Orders were issued under section 11B of SEBI Act against DSQ Software Ltd and Shri Dinesh Dalmia, which is as given below:
 - DSQ to cancel this alleged acquisition of Fortuna Technologies being done on swap basis after following the procedure laid down under the Companies Act.
 - DSQ be prohibited from accessing capital market for a period of one year or completion of investigation and action thereupon whichever is later.
 - Mr Dinesh Dalmia, Managing Director, DSQ be debarred from dealing in securities for a period of one year or completion of investigation and action thereupon whichever is later.
- Prosecutions have been filed on April 4, 2003 vide case no 2776/2003 in the court of XIII Metropolitan Magistrate, Saidapet, Chennai against DSQ Software, Directors of DSQ Software including Shri Dinesh Dalmia
- First Information Report (FIR) filed against DSQ Software,
 Directors of DSQ Software including Shri Dinesh Dalmia
- b. Actions against Global Trust Bank promoters

Further Progress

Against Others

Sanjay Kumar, Chartered Accountant The hearing was fixed along with other Delhi based entities on 15.12.2005, which has been postponed.

Kolkatta based preferential allottees

An opportunity of personal hearing was scheduled for various Kolkatta based entities in Delhi on 15.12.2005. However, request was received from some Kolkatta based entity to change the hearing date and venue and the hearing was adjourned.

Delhi based preferential allottees

The hearing was fixed along with other Delhi based entities on 15.12.2005. However, some Delhi based entities belonging to Goenka group gave detailed reply to SEBI's SCNs and sought another opportunity of personal hearing. Thus, hearing of all Delhi based entities was adjourned.

Shonkh Technologies Ltd. Action against promoters and

promoter associate entities u/s 11B Hearing for promoter and promoter associate entities (15 in number) was fixed for 12th April, 2006.

Action relating to listing of shares on DSE

Adjudication Officer vide order dated 10 June, 2005 has imposed a penalty of Rs. 50,000/- on Shonkh Technologies International Ltd. The entity paid the penalty in December, 2005.

Reply received from A Nitin Capital

Orders were issued under section 11B of SEBI Act against promoter entities not to buy, sell or transfer, pledge or dispose off or deal in any other manner the shares of Global Trust Bank Ltd. directly or indirectly.

- Ramesh Gelli
- Premkala Gelli
- Javant Madhav
- Girrish Gelli
- Niraj Gelli
- Sridhar Subasri
- Annapurna Sridhar
- Anianava Traders Pvt. Ltd.
- Chiranieevi Traders Pvt. Ltd
- Gaianan Financial Services Pvt. Ltd.
- Gaimukh Investments Pvt Ltd.
- Kadrish Finance & Investments Pvt. Ltd.
- Bombay Mahalakshmi Traders Pvt. Ltd.

c. Actions against Aftek Infosys promoters

Adjudication order dated July 31, 2002 passed against promoters of Aftek Infosys, levving penalty of Rs. 5.50 lakh

- Raniit Dhuru
- Nitin Shukla
- Ashutosh Humnanbadkar
- Mukul Dalal
- Pramod Broota
- Charuhas Khopkar
- Sandip Save
- Ravindranath Malekar

8. SEBI has taken note of JPC observations/recommendations.

As reported in December 2003

No change in the status.

As reported in June, 2004

SEBI has submitted the following progress:-

DSQ Software

Action against stock brokers:

The registration of following two brokers has been suspended for one year vide SEBI Order dated 04/03/2004

- 1. Mehta & Ajmera
- 2. Himanshu Aimera

Services Ltd. to the post-enquiry show cause notice is under examination.

Further Progress

M/s Iris Infrastructurals Pvt. Ltd. had appealed in SAT against the order of Adjudicating Officer imposing a penalty of Rs. 1 crore.

SAT vide order dated 14.3.2006, reduced the penalty from Rs. 1 crore to Rs. 1 Lakh.

Global Trust Bank

SEBI has passed an order against TCFC Securities Limited (formerly known as 20th Century Securities Ltd.) on 10.1.2006 indicating that there was no cause of any further directions.

SEBI has passed an order against Kallar Kahar, Sub-Account of FII-CSFB (now known as Credit Suisse First Boston (Mauritius) Ltd.) on 10.1.2006 indicating that there was no cause of any further directions.

Hearing of Vidyut Investments Ltd. was completed on 14.02.2006.

SEBI has passed an order against RP&C International on March 21, 2006. In view of earlier debarment, no further directions are issued.

SEBI has passed an order against Coral Reef Inv. Co. Private Limited, Sub-account of RP&C International on March 21, 2006.

The registration of following two brokers has been cancelled vide SEBI Order dated March 8, 2004 for market manipulation which includes their dealings in DSQ Software Ltd.

- N.H. Securities Ltd.
- 2. Classic Shares and Stock Broking Services Ltd.

Actions against entities associated with/controlled by Ketan Parekh

The following nine entities which are associated with /controlled by Ketan Parekh have been prohibited from buying, selling or dealing in securities in any manner directly or indirectly and also debarred from associating with the securities market, for a period of fourteen years vide SEBI Order December 12, 2003:

- i Shri Ketan V Parekh
- ii. Kartik K. Parekh
- iii. Classic Credit Ltd
- iv. Panther Fincap and Management Services Ltd.
- v. Luminant Investment Pvt Ltd.
- vi. Chitrakut Computers Pvt. Ltd.
- vii. Saimangal Investrade Ltd.
- viii. Classic Infin Ltd
- ix. Panther Investrade Ltd.

Out of these 9, action against the following three entities was taken for market manipulation which includes their dealings in DSQ Software Ltd.:

- 1. Classic Credit Ltd
- 2. Panther Fincap and Management Services Ltd.
- Luminant Investment Pvt Ltd.

DSQ Industries Ltd.

Against Promoters

A show cause notice dated February 20, 2004 was issued to the following entities under Regulation 11 and 11B of SEBI Act read with Regulation 11 of SEBI (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices) Regulations, 1995

- M/s. DSQ Holdings Ltd.
- · M/s. Hulda Properties and Trades Ltd.
- Shri Dinesh Dalmia
- M/s. Cooltex Commodities Ltd.
- M/s. Greenfield Investments Pvt. Ltd.
- M/s. Arun Polymers Pvt. Ltd.

Further Progress

In view of earlier debarment, no further directions are issued.

Zee Telefilms

Hearing was granted to Zee Telefilms Ltd. and its promoter entities by Whole Time Member of SEBI on January 17, 2006. During the hearing, they raised issues regarding inspection of certain documents and cross examination of witnesses. As directed by the Whole Time Member, detailed reply was sent to them on January 31, 2006 and asked them to file written submissions within 10 days. Reply was received on March 20, 2006 from the promoter entities of Zee Telefilms Ltd. Zee Telefilms Ltd. submitted reply to the Show Cause Notice vide letter dated March 31, 2006. Further action is in progress.

Global Tele-Systmes Ltd. (now GTL Ltd)

Common enquiry had been initiated against Hem Securities Ltd. for trading in the scrip of HFCL, Adani Exports Ltd. and Global Tele. Ltd. Enquiry officer submitted the report on December 8, 2005, recommending suspension of certificate of registration of the broker for a period of three months. Post enquiry SCN was issued to the broker on December 14, 2005 and reply received on December 27, 2005. Further action is in progress.

Adani Exports Ltd.

Show Cause notice was issued earlier to 7 promoter entities of Adani Exports Ltd. viz. Adani Agro Ltd., Adani Impex Ltd., Shahi Property Developers Ltd., Adani

- M/s. Aspolite Barter Pvt. Ltd.
- · M/s. Naina Barter Pvt. Ltd.
- Shri Ashok Sharma

Show Cause Notices could be served only to two promoter group entities, namely, DSQ Holdings Ltd. and Dinesh Dalmiya. Reply to the show cause notice is yet to be received. Exparte order will be passed after giving one more opportunity. Show Cause Notices sent by courier and subsequently by speed post to the remaining six entities, namely, Hulda Properties and Trades Ltd., Cooltex Commodities Ltd., Arun Polymers Ltd., Aspolite Barter Pvt. Ltd., Greenfield Investments Pvt. Ltd. and Ashok Sharma returned undelivered. Show Cause Notices could not be served to these entities. Exparte order will be passed after giving one more opportunity.

Other Entities

A show cause notice dated February 19, 2004 was issued to the following entities under Regulation 11 and 11B of SEBI Act read with Regulation 11 of SEBI (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices) Regulations, 1995

- M/s. Arihant Exim Scrip Pvt. Ltd.
- M/s. Doe Jones Investments & Consultants Pvt. Ltd.

Reply to the Show Cause Notices has not yet been received. Letter has been received from the entity mentioning that they are not in a position to reply because police authorities have seized the documents. Exparte order will be passed.

A show cause notice dated February 19, 2004 was issued for acquisition of shares/voting rights/control of DSQ Industries Ltd. (DSQ) by Classic Credit Ltd. and Panther Fincap & Management Services Ltd. in violation of SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 1997 (Regulations). Reply to the Show Cause Notice has not yet been received. Exparte final order will be passed after giving one more opportunity.

Prosecution No.4538 has been filed on August 13, 2003 (Chief Metropolitan Magistrate's Court at Kolkata) against Doe Jones Investments Ltd., Arihant Exim Pvt. Ltd., M. Tibrewal & Co., and promoter group entities and associates of DSQ Industries Ltd. namely DSQ Holdings Ltd., Hulda Properties and Trades Ltd., Cooltex Commodities Ltd., Greenfield Investments P Ltd., Arun Polymers P Ltd., Aspolite Barter, Naina Barter, Dinesh Dalmia and Ashok Sharma.

Properties Ltd., Advance Exports Ltd., Intercontinental India, Crown International and they replied to the SCN vide letter dated December 19, 2005.

An opportunity of personal hearing was granted to 7 promoters entities of Adani Exports Ltd. viz. Adani Agro Pvt. Ltd., Adani Impex Pvt. Ltd., Shahi Property Developers Pvt. Ltd., Adani Properties Pvt. Ltd, Advance Exports, Intercontinental India and Crown International by Whole Time Member of SEBI on March 14, 2006. Vide letter dated March 12, 2006, Shri Rajesh Adani, on behalf of the said entities, requested for an extension of time of at least one month for the personal hearing. Further action is in progress.

An opportunity of personal hearing was granted to Abhinav Investments by Whole Time Member of SEBI on March 14, 2006. Abhinav Investment requested for an extension of time.

Common enquiry had been initiated against Hem Securities Ltd. for trading in the scrip of HFCL, Adani Exports Ltd. and Global Tele Ltd. Enquiry officer submitted the report on December 8, 2005, recommending suspension of certificate of registration of the broker for a period of three months. Post enquiry SCN was issued to the broker on December 14, 2005 and reply received on December 27, 2005. Further action is in progress.

Enquiry Proceedings have been Initiated against following Brokers

- 1. M/s. SMIFS Securities Ltd.
- 2. M/s. Titan Stock Broking Pvt. Ltd.
- 3. M/s. Indsec Securities Ltd.
- 4. M/s. Amartlal Gopalji Thacker
- 5. M/s. Mehta & Ajmera
- 6. M/s. Bissen Dayal Dayaram
- 7. M/s. Ballabh Dass Daga
- 8. M/s. Vishal J Shah
- 9. M/s. Niraj Balasaria

Out of the nine brokers, enquiries have been completed against 3 brokers and final show cause notices have been issued to them on April 29, 2004:

- 1. Titan Stock Broking
- 2. Amritlal Gopalji Thacker
- 3. M/s Niraj Balsaria

Padmini Technologies Ltd. (PTL)

Against PTL and its whole-time directors

Prosecution launched u/s 113(2) of Companies Act against the company and its whole-time directors in the Court of Addl. Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Tis Hazari, Delhi vide case no. 252 of 2003 on March 26, 2003. The criminal case came up before the court on 20.11.03. Last hearing took place in March 2004, when all the accused appeared. The case has been posted to 16.08.04. Prosecution u/s 24 and 27 of SEBI Act r/w Regulation 3, 4 & 6 of SEBI (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices relating to Securities Market) Regulations, 1995 and Regulation 3(1)(c), 3(3), 7 of SEBI (Substantial Acquisitions of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations 1995 against PTL and its whole-time directors launched on 28.05.04.

Prosecution {u/s11C(6) of SEBI Act} against Shri Vivek Nagpal, CMD, PTL launched on 28.05.04.

Adjudication (u/s 15A of SEBI Act) for non compliance of summons initiated against Shri Vivek Nagpal and PTL on 12.12.03 and 13.02.04 respectively, show cause notices (SCNs) to Vivek Nagpal and PTL issued on 03.02.04 and 24.02.04

<u>Himachal Futuristic Communications</u> <u>Ltd. (HFCL)</u>

Common enquiry had been initiated against Hem Securities Ltd. for trading in the scrip of HFCL, Adani Exports Ltd and Global Tele Ltd. Enquiry officer submitted the report on December 8, 2005, recommending suspension of certificate of registration of the broker for a period of three months. Post enquiry SCN was issued to the broker on December 14, 2005 and reply received on December 27, 2005. Further action is in progress.

An opportunity of personal hearing was granted to the broker Hem Securities Ltd. by Whole Time Member of SEBI on March 17, 2006 for trading in the scrip of HFCL, Adani Exports Ltd. and Global Tele Ltd. The broker requested for a postponement of the personal hearing. Further action is in progress.

Hearing was granted to the broker Pravin V Shah Stock Broking Pvt. Ltd. by Whole Time Member of SEBI on January 19, 2006 in the matters of Global Tele Ltd., Adani Exports Ltd. and Himachal Futuristic Communication Ltd. Further action is in progress.

Hearing was granted to Chandravadan J Dalal by Whole Time Member of SEBI on February 2, 2006 in the matters of Global Tele Ltd., Adani Exports Ltd. and Himachal Futuristic Communication Ltd. Further action is in progress.

respectively, reply from Vivek Nagpal received vide letter dated 17.03.04.

Proceedings u/s11B of SEBI Act are under way; show cause notice has been issued to the company and its directors on 20.02.04. PTL and Vivek Nagpal have raised issues like inspection of records, depositions, cross examination etc. vide their letters dated 28.02.04 and 25.03.04 respectively.

Reference has been made to Department of Companies Affairs (DCA) on 09.01.04 for considering appropriate action under the relevant provisions of the Companies Act for irregularities committed in regard to preferential allotment.

Against Ketan Parekh group

Panther Fincap and Management Services Ltd., Classic Credit Ltd. and their Directors (including Ketan Parekh)

Adjudication proceedings u/s 15H of SEBI Act have been initiated on 13.02.04, SCNs were issued on 24.02.04, replies received on 18.03.04 are under consideration of the Adjudicating Officer. KP entities have been debarred from capital market vide order dated 12/12/2003 for fourteen years.

Prosecution u/s 24 and 27 of SEBI Act r/w Regulation 3, 4 & 6 of SEBI (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices relating to Securities Market) Regulations, 1995 and Regulation 3(1)(C), 3(3), 7 of SEBI (Substantial Acquisitions of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations 1995 and u/s 23(1)(b) of Securities Contract Regulation Act launched on 28.05.04.

Triumph International Finance Ltd

Enquiry proceedings under SEBI (Procedure for Holding Enquiry by Enquiry Officer and Imposing Penalty) Regulations, 2002 have been initiated on 16.12.03, SCN issued on 10.03.04, reply received on 25.03.04 are under consideration of the Enquiry Officer.

Against Statutory Auditors

Reference has also been made to Institute of Chartered Accountants of India on 23.12.03.

Proceedings u/s 11B of SEBI Act have been initiated against the statutory auditor and show cause notice has been issued on 22.12.03.

Prosecution u/s 24 of SEBI Act has been launched on 28.05.04.

Hearing was granted to the broker Vidyut Devendra Kumar by Whole Time Member of SEBI on January 19, 2006 in the matter of Himachal Futuristic Communication Ltd. Further action is in progress.

Against Ketan Parekh Group

An opportunity of combined personal hearing for all pending cases was granted by Whole Time Member of SEBI to 20 persons/entities of the Ketan Parekh (KP) Group on March 7, 2006. The KP Group, vide letters dated March 2, 2006 and March 3, 2006 raised technical and legal issues including asking for copies of documents and cross examination of entities which are being examined. Fresh date of hearing is yet to be given.

Cyberspace Ltd.

- 1. Final order was passed in the matter of M/s Mangla Capital Services Ltd. on January 31, 2006 imposing a minor penalty of Censure
- 2. Warning letters have been issued to 10 broking entities. The same are in the process of being issued in case of other two entities.
- 3. Show Cause Notice to Ms. Vandana Srivastava u/s 11(4) read with Section 11B of the SEBI Act, 1992 has been served on her.
- 4. Enquiry proceedings against 7 broking entities and one subbroker are being initiated.

M/s SSI Ltd.

Pursuant to the submission of enquiry report by the Enquiry Officer, a post enquiry Show Cause Notice was issued

Further Progress

Against Others

Various preferential allottees and their associates

Proceedings u/s11B of SEBI Act are under way.

Sanjay Kumar, Chartered Accountant

Adjudication (u/s 15A of SEBI Act) for non compliance of summons initiated on 12.12.03. SCN issued on 03.02.04, reply received on 01.03.04 under consideration of the Enquiry Officer. SCN issued on 26.12.03 as part of proceedings u/s11B of SEBI Act, inspection of records granted on 19.02.04. He has further requested for copies of various documents which is under consideration.

Prosecution u/s 11C(6) and 24 of SEBI Act has been launched on 28.05.04.

Reference has been made to The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) on 26.12.03.

SBI Mutual Fund

Reference has been made to Trustees of SBI Mutual Fund on 18.12.03 requesting them to look into the issues raised by SEBI.

A & A Finvest P Ltd. (a sub-broker)

Enquiry proceedings have been initiated. SCN issued on 15.03.04, reply received vide letter dt. 28.04.04 under consideration of Enquiry Officer.

Shonkh Technologies Ltd

Against Mr. Vivek Nagpal, promoters of M/s Shonkh Technologies International Limited

Adjudication orders levying a penalty of Rs.1 Crore each was passed on December 3, 2003 against Shri Vivek Nagpal and M/s Padmini Technologies. On an appeal filed by the above entities in SAT, SAT directed them to deposit Rs.1.5 lakhs each with SEBI. Rs.1.5 lakhs each was deposited by the parties with SEBI on May 19, 2004.

Against Shonkh Technologies International Limited

Show cause notice is to be issued by May 31, 2004.

Prosecution proceedings are under consideration.

Against Ketan Parekh Entities

Order against the KP entities prohibiting the KP entities from buying, selling or dealing in securities in any manner, directly or indirectly and debarring them from associating with the securities markets, for a period of 14 years was passed on December 12, 2003.

to M/s. Milan Mahendra Securities Pvt. Ltd. on March 06, 2006.

Ranbaxy Laboratories Limited Against promoters group entities/ Company

i) 11B action against Vidyut Investments. The entity was asked to appear before the Whole Time Member, SEBI for personal hearing on February 14, 2006. During the personal hearing, the Member asked the entity to submit certain documentary evidence by March 10, 2006. Reply received is under examination.

Against Stock Brokers KP entities

Post enquiry show cause notices were issued (on January 30, 2006) to five KP entities namely Triumph International Finance Ltd., Triumph Securities Ltd., V.N. Parekh Securities Pvt. Ltd., KNP Securities Pvt. Ltd. and N.H. Securities Pvt. Ltd. The replies are awaited.

The certificate of registration granted to broking entities associated with/controlled by Ketan Parekh viz, Classic Shares and Stock Broking Services (CSSB), Triumph Securities Limited (TSL), NH Securities Ltd. (NH Sec.), Triumph International Finance India Ltd., V N Parekh Securities Limited (VNP Sec) and KNP Securities Limited (KNP Sec) was cancelled on March 8, 2004.

Against M/s Iris Infrastructurals Private Limited

Penalty of Rs.1.5 lac was imposed on April 22, 2003 and Rs.1 crore on December 3, 2003. The penalty amount is yet to be received. Recovery proceedings initiated.

Against Brokers

Milan Mahendra Securities Ltd.

Show cause notice has been issued to the broker and reply has been received.

Adjudication proceedings have been completed against the entity and penalty imposed. Enquiry has been initiated against the broker. Hearing in the case of M/s Milan Mahendra Securities Private Limited stands rescheduled for June 14, 2004.

Extempore Securities & Investments Ltd.(now called Pioneer Equity Trade (India) Pvt. Ltd.)

Show cause notice has been issued and reply received from the entity.

Adjudication proceedings have been completed and penalty imposed on the entity. The entity has paid the penalty.

Enquiry proceedings have been completed and warning order was passed on February 4, 2004 against M/s Extempore Securities (name changed to M/s Pioneer Equity Trade (India) Pvt. Ltd.

Agroy Finance and Investments Limited

Enquiry proceedings have been initiated against the broker.

A. Nitin Capital Services Limited

Enquiry proceedings have been initiated against the broker.

Delhi Securities Limited

Enquiry proceedings have been initiated against the broker. Show cause notice under issue.

Adjudication proceedings have been initiated against the entities.

M/s Money Growth Financials and Consultants Private Limited

Show cause notice are to be issued by June 10, 2004.

M/s A. Jain & Co. - Member DSE

Enquiry Proceedings have been initiated against the broker.

Shamit Finvest Private Limited

Show cause notice are to be issued by June 10, 2004.

Investment by UTI in the shares of Shonkh

Investigation report received from UTI. UTI decided to initiate Departmental and criminal action as may be appropriate against those indicted in the report.

Ranbaxy Laboratories Ltd.

Against promoter

Adjudication proceedings for alleged contravention of section 15A(a) of the SEBI Act read with Regulation 3(4) of the SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeover) Regulations, 1997 were initiated on 24.10.02 against the following 12 promoter group entities of Ranbaxy Laboratories Ltd.:

- 1. Astral Investments & Trading Company Pvt. Ltd.
- 2. Divya Papers Pvt. Ltd.
- 3. Shimal Investment & Trading Company
- 4. Oscar Holdings Pvt. Ltd.
- 5. Delta Aromatics Pvt. Ltd.
- 6. Modland Wears Pvt. Ltd.
- 7. Jupiter Investments Pvt. Ltd.
- 8. Malvinder Mohan Singh
- 9. Oscar Pharmaceuticals Pvt. Ltd.
- 10. Oscar Investments Ltd.
- 11. Fortis Financial Services Ltd.
- 12. Dr. Parvinder Singh (HUF)

Show cuase notices were issued on 10.11.2003.

Against Stock Brokers

Enquiry proceedings for alleged violation of the provisions of the SEBI (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices relating to Securities Market) Regulations, 1995, SEBI (Stock Brokers and Sub-Brokers) Regulations, 1992 and rules regulations and bye-laws of stock exchanges, were initiated on 24.10.02 against the following 41 stock brokers of different stock exchanges:

- 1. Credit Suisse First Boston (India) Securities Pvt. Ltd.
- 2. KNP Securities Pvt. Ltd.
- 3. V.N. Parekh Securities Pvt. Ltd.

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		4.	Triumph Securities Ltd.	
		5.	Chandravadan J. Dalal	
		6.	Milan Mahendra Securities Pvt. Ltd.	
		7.	Mukesh Babu Securities Ltd.	
		8.	Bakliwal Securities Pvt. Ltd.	
		9.	M.P. Vora Shares & Securities Pvt. Ltd.	
		10.	Active Finstock Pvt. Ltd.	
		11.	Triumph International Finance India Ltd.	
		12.	NH Securities Ltd.	
		13.	Khandwala Integrated Financial Services Pvt. Ltd.	
			Prashant Jayantilal Patel	
			Wallfort Financial Services Ltd.	
		16.	Suresh Chand S Jain	
			The First Custodian Fund (India) Ltd.	
			Mahesh Kumar Damani	
			Salasar Stock Broking Ltd.	
			Dinesh Kumar Singhania & Co.	
			Agbros Securities Pvt. Ltd.	
			Ashok Kumar Poddar	
			Prema Poddar	
			Shyam Sundar Dalmia	
			Sanjay Khemani	
			. Shankarlal Chokhany	
			Shruti Mohta	
			Kanodia Stock Broking (Pvt.) Ltd.	
			J.V.S. Securities Pvt. Ltd.	
			Kamal Kumar Dugar & Co.	
			Lalit & Co.	
			M/s Loknath Saraf	
			S.P. Rakhecha & Co.	
			Shree Harivansa Securities Pvt. Ltd.	
			BLB Share & Financial Services Ltd.	
			Dalmia Securities (P) Ltd.	
			Herald Equities Pvt. Ltd.	
			Naresh Chand Chandak	
			Rajendra Kumar Chokhany	
			Somani Stock Broking Pvt. Ltd.	
		41.	Tackel Stock Broking Services Pvt . Ltd.	

In the case of enquiry against Credit Suisse First Boston (India) Securities Pvt. Ltd., SEBI has passed an order dated March 05, 2004, under Regulation 13(4) of the SEBI (Procedure for Holding Enquiry by Enquiry Officer and Imposing Penalty) Regulations, 2002, suspending the certificate of registration of the broking entity for a period of one month. The order came into effect after three weeks from the date of the order.

In the cases of enquiry against Bakliwal Securities Pvt. Ltd., M.P. Vora Shares & Securities Pvt. Ltd. and Active Finstock Pvt. Ltd. no action has been recommended in the enquiry report.

Enquiry proceedings in the remaining cases are under progress.

Against Ketan Parekh Entities

Against the following 5 broking entities belonging to Ketan Parekh group, SEBI has passed orders dated 08.03.2004 canceling their certificate of registration:

- KNP Securities Pvt. Ltd.
- 2. VN Parekh Securities Pvt. Ltd.
- 3. Triumph Securities Ltd.
- 4. Triumph International Finance India Ltd.
- 5. NH Securities Ltd.

Against the following 3 CSE brokers, their registration has already been cancelled by SEBI.

- 1. Dinesh Kumar Singhania vide order dated 12.10.2001
- 2. Ashok Kumar Poddar vide order dated 24.06.2002
- 3. Prema Poddar vide order dated 24.06.2002.

In the case of another CSE broker, namely, Loknath Saraf, no enquiry could be proceeded as the broker had expired.

Against 4 brokers, namely, Bakliwal Securities Pvt. Ltd., M.P. Vora Shares & Securities Pvt. Ltd., Active Finstock Pvt. Ltd. and Khandwala Integrated Financial Services Pvt. Ltd., in the enquiry reports submitted by the Enquiry Officer, no action against the brokers have been recommended by the Enquiry Officer.

Names of the entities against whom prosecution proceedings were under consideration are as follows:

- 1. Shri Ketan Parekh
- KNP Securities Pvt. Ltd.
- 3. V.N. Parekh Securities Pvt. Ltd.
- 4. Triumph Securities Ltd.

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- 5. NH Securities Ltd.
- 6. Classic Credit Ltd.
- 7. Panther Fincap and Management Services Ltd.
- 8. Sai Mangal Investrade Ltd.
- 9. Luminant Investments Pvt. Ltd.
- 10. Panther Investrade Ltd.
- 11. Upfront Investments
- 12. Profile Investment
- 13. Options Investments
- 14. Ace Investment
- 15. Linear Investments
- 16. Online Investments
- 17. A B Corporation
- 18. Jayant N. Parekh

Out of the above entities, prosecutions have been filed on March 7, 2003 vide case no 123/2003 in the court of Addl. Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, 8th Court, Esplanade, Mumbai against the following entities connected/associated with Ketan Parekh.

- 1. Shri Ketan Parekh
- NH Securities Ltd.
- Classic Credit Ltd.
- 4. Panther Fincap and Management Services Ltd.
- 5. Sai Mangal Investrade Ltd.
- 6. Luminant Investments Pvt. Ltd.
- 7. Panther Investrade Ltd.

Prosecution proceedings against the remaining entities are under consideration.

The dealings of Centurion Bank Ltd. in the scrip by way of arbitrage/trading transactions through the brokers connected/ associated with the Ketan Parekh entities during this period which are in violation of RBI guidelines, have been referred to RBI for suitable action vide letter dated November 12, 2002.

Global Trust Bank Ltd.

A show cause notice dated October 21, 2003 was issued to the following entities under Regulation 11 of SEBI (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices) Regulations, 1995 read with Section 11 and 11B of SEBI Act, 1992. Final order has been passed on 23.03.2004 debarring Sh. Ramesh Gelli, Ms. Premkala

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Gelli etc. from dealing in the scrip of GTB for 18 months. Enquiry against the following brokers has been completed and show cause notices issued on dates mentioned against them:

- 1. SS Corporate Securities Ltd. March 31, 2004
- 2. Visaria Securities (P) Ltd. May 26, 2004
- 3. SBM Investments Ltd. May 26, 2004
- 4. Wood Stock Securities (P) Ltd. -March 31, 2004
- 5. Wood Stock Broking (P) Ltd. March 31, 2004
- 6. Ind Sec Securities and Finance Ltd.-Feb.5, 2004
- 7. ICICI Brokerage Services (P) Ltd.- Feb.5, 2004
- 8. CSFB Securities (P) Ltd. February 5, 2004
- 9. Mukesh Babu Securities (P) Ltd.-Feb. 5, 2004

In the case of SS Corporate Securities Ltd., hearing is scheduled to take place on June 7, 2004.

Reply to the SCN has not yet been received from Visaria Securities (P) Ltd. and SBM Investments Ltd.

Reply to the SCN has not yet been received from Wood Stock Securities (P) Ltd. and Wood Stock Broking (P) Ltd. These brokers have sought more time to furnish the reply.

In the cases of Ind Sec Securities and Finance Ltd., ICICI Brokerage Services (P) Ltd. and Mukesh Babu Securities (P) Ltd., hearing took place before the Chairman, SEBI on March 12, 2004.

In the case of CSFB Securities (P) Ltd., hearing took place before the Chairman, SEBI on May 12, 2004.

Aftek Infosys

Actions against promoters

Debarred from dealing in securities for 1 year vide Order dated 8/3/2004.

Zee Telefilms

Actions against promoters

For the breach of the provisions of SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 1997, penalty of Rs. 60,000 was imposed on 19.08.02 and paid on 12.02.2003.

Global Tele

Actions against promoters

For the breach of the provisions of SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 1997, penalty of Rs. 1,20,000 was imposed on 17.3.03 and paid.

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Pentamedia Graphics

Actions against promoters

For the breach of the provisions of SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 1997, penalty of Rs. 90,000 was imposed on 2.5.03 and paid.

Adani Exports Ltd

Actions against promoters

For the breach of the provisions of SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) Regulations, 1997, penalty of Rs. 60,000 was imposed on 7.4.03 and paid.

Lupin Lab. Promoters

Actions against promoters

The investigation in the case of violation of Securities Contracts Regulations by the Lupin Lab promoters is complete.

KP entities barred from capital market vide order dated 12/12/03 for 14 years. The registration certificates granted to these entities have been cancelled.

Criminal complaint filed against various entities indulged in market manipulation on 07/03/03.

Action against other entities in the above six cases Entities associated with /controlled by Ketan Parekh

Following persons/ entities have been prohibited from buying, selling or dealing in securities in any manner directly or indirectly and also debared them from associating with the securities market, for a period of fourteen years.

- 1. Shri Ketan V. Parekh
- 2. Kartik K. Parekh
- 3. Classic Credit Ltd
- 4. Panther Fincap and Management Services Ltd.
- 5. Luminant Investment Pvt Ltd.
- 6. Chitrakut Computers Pvt. Ltd.
- 7. Saimangal Investrade Ltd.
- 8. Classic Infin Ltd
- 9. Panther Investrade Ltd.

Other brokers

- CSFB Securities-Suspended for two years
- ii. Chardravadan J. Dalal-Suspended for two years
- iii. Latin Manharlal Securities Ltd- Suspended for six months
- iv. Quasi-judicial proceedings against 18 brokers are in progress.

Cyberspace Ltd.

Investigations into trading in the scrip have been completed.

- Adjudication proceedings against the said company and their promoters have been initiated on 16.4.2004 for their non compliance with the summons issued by SEBI.
- Prosecution has also been launched against the company and its promoters in August 2003 for violation of SEBI (PFUTP) Regulations.
- Directions have been issued to M/s Prabodh Arth Sanchay, a related entity of M/s Cyberspace Ltd. directing them to be careful in future while trading.
- Enquiry proceedings against M/s. Century Consultants Ltd. (a BSE and NSE member) for violation of Code of Conduct laid down under Regulation 7 of the SEBI (Stock Brokers and Sub-Brokers) Regulations, 1992 completed. The certificate of registration of the broker has already been cancelled by the BSE, NSE and SEBI.
- Directions have been issued to Shri Shashikant G. Badani to restrain from associating with any corporate body in accessing the securities market and prohibited him from buying, selling or dealing in securities, directly or indirectly, for a period of one year.
- The matter of issuing directions to Shri S. K. Barasia under the provisions of the SEBI Act and Rules and Regulations made thereunder is under process.
- Action for issuing directions u/s 11 (4) of the SEBI Act against 19 associate/shell companies which were found to have aided and abetted the company in the manipulation of the scrip are in the process of being issued. Similar directions against M/s. Cyberspace Ltd., M/s. Century Consultants Ltd. and their promoters are also in the process of being issued.

Silverline Technologies Ltd.

Investigations into the price movement in the scrip of Silverline Technologies Ltd. have been completed. In the course of investigations, adjudication proceedings u/s 15 A were initiated against the company as well as its promoters for non-compliance of SEBI summons. The Adjudicating Officer vide his Orders dated 10/10/2003 and 24/10/2003 has levied monetary penalties of Rs.19,00,000 and Rs.21,00,000 on the company and its promoters respectively for this default. As no penalty has been

paid, recovery proceedings have been initiated. SAT vide its order dated January 20, 2004 has directed the parties to pay the penalty amount.

Since the company is also listed on NYSE, SEBI has informed the NYSE as well as the SEC about the violations of Indian Securities Laws committed by the company.

Enquiry proceedings against the following 5 brokers have been initiated on 11.3.2004:

- 1. M/s Latin Manharlal Securities (P) Ltd
- 2. M/s Milan Mahendra Securities (P) Ltd
- 3. M/s Triumph International Finance Ltd
- 4. M/s Classic Shares and Stock Brokers Ltd
- 5. M/s Triumph Securities Ltd.

Similarly, adjudication proceedings u/s 15 A read with Section 15 HB of the SEBI Act have been initiated against the following 3 out of the above 5 broking entities for their failure to comply with the summons issued by SEBI:

- M/s Latin Manharlal Securities (P) Ltd –
 11/3/04
- 2. M/s Milan Mahendra Securities (P) Ltd 11/3/04
- 3. M/s Subhkam Securities (P) Ltd 15/3/04 Three warning letters have been issued:
- (i) M/s Subhkam Securities (P) Ltd. 17.5.04
- (ii) JP Morgan India (P) Ltd. 16.3.04
- (iii) Kotak Securities 16.3.04.

SSI Ltd.

Investigations into the trading in the scrip of SSI Ltd. have been completed. The promoters of SSI and 3 individuals are found to have violated the provisions of Sections 13, 16 read with Section 2(i) of the SCRA read with notification dated March 1, 2000. Prosecution proceedings u/s 23(1) (b) of the SCRA are being initiated against the concerned parties. Reference is also being made to CBDT to look into the aspect of evasion of tax (Capital Gains on sale of shares by promoters etc.) involved in the matter. Investigations have also revealed that the following 4 broking entities (including those belonging to KP) had indulged in trades with a view to creating artificial volumes thereby violating the SEBI (PFUTP) Regulations:

- 1. M/s Triumph Securities Limited
- 2. M/s Triumph International Finance Ltd.
- 3. M/s Classic Shares and Stock Brokers Ltd.
- 4. M/s Milan Mahendra Securities (P) Ltd

Enquiry proceedings were initiated on 2.4.2004.

Adjudication proceedings u/s15A read with Section 15HB of the SEBI Act have been initiated on 2.4.2004 against M/s Milan Mahendra Securities (P) Ltd. and M/s Triumph International Finance Ltd. for their failure to comply with the summons issued by SEBI.

Reference to prosecution has been made against six individuals:

- 1. K.S. Aghoram
- 2. K.S.Ganesh
- 3. K.S. Suresh
- 4. V.Kalaiselvi
- 5. K.V.Prakash
- 6. S. Venkatesh

Out of 15 corporates referred in Chapter VII of JPC Report, corporates/promoter—brokers (KP entities) nexus has been established in 7 cases. SEBI has debarred/initiated proceedings against these companies/promoters from accessing the capital/dealing in securities and also filed prosecution. The certificates of registration granted to 6 of the broking entities associated with Ketan Parekh were cancelled by SEBI. Ketan Parekh and 8 entities related to him were also debarred from dealing in securities market in any manner for a period of 14 years and prosecution have also been filed against these entities. SEBI has also suspended the certificates of other Brokers who have aided and abetted Ketan Parekh entities in market manipulations.

As reported in December, 2004

DSQ Software

Action against promoters

SEBI has issued the following directions vide two Orders dated 9.9.04 to (1) DSQ Software Ltd., and Shri Dinesh Dalmia (2) Other directors of the company with immediate effect.

Shri Dinesh Dalmia is prohibited from buying, selling or otherwise dealing in securities in any manner, directly or indirectly, for a period of 10 years and is also prohibited from holding any office of responsibility in a company/entity or other institution associated with the securities market for a period of 10 years.

DSQ Software Limited is prohibited from accessing the securities market and buying, selling or otherwise dealing in securities in any manner, directly or indirectly in securities for a period of 10 years.

Shri Dinesh Dalmia and DSQ Software Ltd. shall deposit a sum of Rs.630 crore (being the value of 1.30 crore shares calculated by taking into account the average price of the scrip in the relevant settlement) within a period of 45 days in a separate escrow account to be maintained with a nationalized bank, till completion of investigation by various Police agencies including Calcutta Police and Central Bureau of Investigation.

Shri Dinesh Dalmia shall buy 1.30 crore shares of DSQ Software Ltd, circulated into the secondary market within a period of 45 days and retain the same in a separate demat account to be opened for the purpose, till permission for reduction in capital is obtained by the company from the competent authority.

The amounts deposited in the escrow account and shares retained in the demat account shall not be withdrawn without prior permission in writing from SEBI.

Mohammed Ghulam Ghouse, B.K. Pal, K.M. Venkateshwaran, and Brig. (Retd.) V.M. Sundaram directors of DSQ Software during the material period are prohibited from buying, selling or dealing in securities, in any manner, directly or indirectly for a period of 5 years and also prohibited from holding any office of responsibility in a company/entity or other institution associated with the securities market for a period of 5 years.

Shri Dinesh Dalmia, DSQ Software Ltd. and other directors viz. Mohammed Ghulam Ghouse, B.K. Pal, K.M. Venkateshwaran and Brig. (Retd.) U.M. Sundram have filed appeal against the abovesaid two SEBI orders dated 9.9.2004 at Securities and Appellate Tribunal (SAT). The appeal has been admitted and the hearings will commence from 24.11.2004.

Adjudication against the following entities are completed and penalty collected:

Name of entities	Penalty levied	Collection details
Dinesh Kumar	Rs.25,000	Collected in the
Singhania		month of August 2004
Arihant Exim Scrip	Rs.15,000	Collected in the month
Pvt. Ltd.		of August 2004

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SEBI vide Order dated 4.10.04 prohibited the following entities/ persons from accessing the securities market and dealing in securities for a period of 10 years with immediate effect:

- a) New Vision Investment, UK,
- b) Dinesh Dalmia Technology Trust,
- c) Softec Corporation Trust,
- d) New Vision Investment Private Ltd.,
- e) DSQ Holdings Ltd.,
- f) Hulda Properties & Trades Ltd.,
- g) Powerflow Holdings Pvt. Ltd,
- h) DSQ Industries Ltd. and
- Mrs. Radha Dalmia

Action against the following broker has been taken who had indulged in synchronized transactions in the shares of DSQ Software Ltd.

Name Broker	SEBI Order Date	Suspension period
	& w.e.f.	

Millennium 13.09.04 w.e.f. 6 months

Equities Ltd. 04.01.2004

DSQ Industries Ltd.

Against promoters

Final Order is being issued.

Other Entities

Final Orders against Arihant Exim Scrip Pvt. Ltd. and Doe Jones Investments and Consultants Pvt. Ltd. are being issued.

Ketan Parekh entities have been banned for a period of 14 years for dealing in securities market for market manipulation in various scrips.

Prosecution has been filed.

Enquiry proceedings against the Brokers

Enquiry has been completed against 5 broking entities namely,

- 1. Amrut Gopalii Thacker
- 2. Titan Stock Broking
- 3. Niraj Balasaria
- 4. SMIFS Securities Ltd.
- 5. Mehta & Ajmera (Already suspended for one year on 4.3.04) Final Orders are being issued.

Padmini Technologies Ltd. (PTL)

Against PTL and its whole time directors

Adjudication proceedings (u/s 15A of SEBI Act) initiated for non compliance of summons have been completed and Adjudication Officer, vide his order dt. August 16/17, 2004, has imposed a penalty of Rs.5 lacs and Rs. 3 lacs on PTL and Shri Vivek Nagpal respectively.

Proceedings u/s11B of SEBI Act are under way; show cause notice has been issued to the company and its directors. Personal hearing which was scheduled for 11.11.04 was not availed. Another opportunity for personal hearing is scheduled for 30.11.2004.

Against Ketan Parekh group

Panther Fincap and Management Services Ltd., Classic Credit Ltd. and their Directors (including Ketan Parekh)

Adjudication proceedings have been completed and Adjudication Officer, vide his orders dated 23/24.08.04, has imposed a penalty of Rs.5 lac each on Panther Fincap and Management Services Ltd. and Classic Credit Ltd.

Triumph International Finance Ltd.

Enquiry Officer vide his report dated 23.8.04 has recommended cancellation of registration. Show cause notice based on the Enquiry Officer's report was sent on 27.8.04. No reply has been received so far. An opportunity for personal hearing is proposed. It may be noted that the registration of Triumph International has already been cancelled vide an earlier order dated 16.5.2003.

Against Statutory Auditors

The auditor was given opportunities of personal hearing on 24.08.04, 17.09.04 and 20.10.04 which were not availed. Final Order is being issued.

Against Others

Sanjay Kumar, Chartered Accountant

Adjudication proceedings (u/s 15A of SEBI Act) initiated for non compliance of summons have been completed and Adjudication Officer, vide his order dated 18.08.04, has imposed a penalty of Rs.2 lac on Shri Sanjay Kumar.

As regards the show cause notice issued on 26.12.03 as part of proceedings u/s11B of SEBI Act, another inspection of records was granted on 02.08.04. He has further requested for copies of

various documents which have been provided. He was asked to submit his reply by 4.10.04. No reply has been received. Exparte order is being processed.

SBI Mutual Fund

Reference has been made to Trustees of SBI Mutual Fund on 18.12.03 requesting them to conduct a thorough investigation on the issues raised by SEBI and submit a report thereof. Reminder was issued to the Trustees on 28.5.04, who have replied vide letter dated 09.06.04 that a firm of reputed chartered accountants have been appointed to look into the matter. The auditors report has been received from the Trustees on 24.09.04 which is under examination.

SEBI inspection of systems and procedures of SBIMF conducted on 29/30.01.04. Systemic deficiencies observed during inspection were communicated to AMC vide letter dated 07.05.04 for taking corrective action.

A & A Finvest P Ltd. (a sub-broker)

Enquiry proceedings under SEBI (Procedure for Holding Enquiry by Enquiry Officer and Imposing Penalty) Regulations, 2002 have been completed and Enquiry Officer vide his report dated 13.08.04, has recommended for suspension of registration for a period of one year. Show cause notice based on Enquiry Officer's report has been issued on 27.08.04, reply received on 13.09.04. An opportunity of personal hearing is being given before passing the order.

Shonkh Technologies Ltd.

Against promoters

Show Cause Notices issued to the promoters and associated entities (15 entities) of Shonkh Technologies International Limited. Personal hearings before Chairman initiated. Hearing on two different occasions had to be postponed on the request of the parties. Third date fixed on 2.12.04.

Against Mr. Vivek Nagpal and promoters of Shonkh Technologies International Ltd.

Adjudication orders levying a penalty of Rs.1 crore each against Shri Vivek Nagpal and Padmini Techologies Ltd. have been passed. Against the Adjudication Orders, Shri Vivek Nagpal and Padmini Technologies Ltd. have filed an appeal before SAT and as per the interim orders of SAT they have paid a penalty of Rs.1.50.000 each.

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		Adjudication against associated entities of the company/
		promoters
		Against 16 entities penalty of Rs. 1 crore each was levied by the
		Adjudicating Officer.
		One entity (Shri Mukesh Malhotra) has appealed before SAT
		against the adjudication order. SAT directed Shri Mukesh
		Malhotra to deposit Rs.25,000/- with SEBI and co-operate with
		SEBI in the case. Payment is yet to be received. Legal action for
		recovery is being processed.
		Action against others
		Show cause notices issued against Money Growth Investment
		and Consultants Pvt. Ltd., dated 26.9.04 and Shamit Finvest Pvt. Ltd. dated 24.9.04. Replies are yet to be received.
		Order against broker Millenium Equities (India) Private
		Limited:
		Order passed suspending the certificate of registration of the broker
		for a period of six months.
		Ranbaxy Laboratories Ltd.
		Adjudication proceedings against the 12 promoter group
		entities.
		Orders exonerating the 12 promoter group entities have been
		passed by the Adjudicating Officer on 9.9.04.
		Other broking entities
		16 brokers - Final orders issued.
		24 broking entities - Ex-parte orders will be prepared by mid
		December 2004.
		One broking entity - (Mukesh Babu Securities Ltd order
		suspending the broker for one year passed in the case of GTB.
		Separate enquiry proceedings initiated in this scrip and also in
		HFCL, Zee and GTL.)
		Global Trust Bank Ltd.
		Against the brokers
		Enquiry and other proceedings against the brokers:
		* Order has been passed against ICICI Brokerage Services
		Ltd. discharing the broker from the irregularities on 9.9.04.
		* Order percent against M/s Index Securities and Finance I to

Order passed against M/s. Indec Securities and Finance Ltd., warning the broker to be more careful in future vide order

Order passed against M/s. Mukesh Babu Securities Pvt. Ltd.

dated 10.9.04.

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	suspending the registration for a period of one year vide order dated 14.10.04. * Order passed against M/s. Woodstock Securities Ltd., Woodstock Broking Pvt. Ltd. warning them to be more careful in future. * Order passed against CSFB Securities (I) Pvt. Ltd. on 10.9.04 suspending the broker for a period of three months. * Order passed against SS Corporate Securities on 21.9.04 suspending the broker for a period of 3 months. Final Orders have been passed against Visaria Securities Ltd. (suspension for 3 months) and SBM Investments (sub broker of Mukesh Babu Securities Pvt. Ltd.) (suspension for 4 months) also on 11.10.04 and 14.10.04 respectively. Aftek Infosys Adjudication proceedings were initiated against Classic Credit Ltd., Panther Investrade Ltd., Mividha Investments Pvt. Ltd., JDP Share & Stock Brokers Ltd., for violation of SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares & Takeovers) Regulations, 1997. A penalty of Rs.5.00 lakh was imposed and paid. Enquiry proceedings were conducted against Triumph International India Ltd., Triumph Securities Ltd. and NH Securities Ltd and certificate of registration granted to these entities were cancelled vide order dated 31.3.04. Enquiry proceedings were also conducted against broking entities C J Dalal, Hem Securities, Milan Mahendra and Latin Manharlal. C J. Dalal was suspended for two years and Latin Manharlal. C J. Dalal was suspended for six months. Against other two brokers, hearings held, orders are being passed. Adjudication proceedings were initiated against Vidyut Investments Ltd. for violation of SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares & Takeovers) Regulations, 1997. Penalty of Rs. 3.00 lakh was imposed and paid. Ketan Parekh entities have been banned from dealing in securities market for a period of 14 years. Criminal complaints filed against nine entities including Ketan

Parekh. **Zee Telefilms**

Enquiry proceedings have separately been initiated against the following broking entities, who aided and abetted Ketan Parekh

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		entities in market manipulation by entering into structured and synchronized dealings:		
		Broker	Action already taken	
		Woodstock	Order dated 10.9.04 passed warning the	

Broking Pvt. Ltd. broker in the case of GTB

Mukesh Babu In the case of GTB, order dated 10.9.04

Securities Ltd. passed suspending registration for 1 year

Mangal Keshav Shares & Stock

Brokers Ltd.

Milan Mahendra Ltd. Hearing complete. Order being passed.
Visaria Securities In the case of GTB, order dated 11.10.04
Pvt. Ltd. passed suspending registration for 3 months

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Enquiry proceedings have separately been initiated against various following brokers, stock brokers for aiding and abetting Ketan Parekh entities in market manipulation by entering into structured and synchronized dealings:

Broker	Action already taken
Vyomit Stock &	Enquiry Proceedings
Investment Pvt. Ltd.	under progress
Omega Equities	Enquiry Proceedings
Pvt. Ltd.	under progress
Mangal Keshav	Enquiry Proceedings
Shares & Stock	under progress
Brokers Ltd.	
Chandravadan J Dalal	Order dated 24.2.04 passed suspending the broker for 2 years in the case of Lupin, Aftek, Ranbaxy, Shonkh and GTB
Hem Securities Ltd.	Order under preparation
Latin Manharlal	In the case of GTB, Aftek and Shonkh,
Securities Pvt. Ltd.	order dated 18.11.03 passed
	suspending registration for 6 months
Mukesh Babu	In the case of GTB, order dated 10.9.04
Securities Ltd.	passed suspending registration for 1 year

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		Milan Mahendra	Order is being passed	
		Securities Pvt. Lt		
		Visaria Securities	s In the case of GTB, order dated 11.10.04	
		Pvt. Ltd.	passed suspending registration for 3	
			months	
		Pravin V Shah	Enquiry Proceedings	
		Stock Broking	initiated	
		Woodstock	Order dated 10.9.04 passed warning	
		Securities Pvt. Lt	td. the broker in the case of GTB	
		Adani Exports L		
		Action against		
		,	ceedings are initiated on 15.9.04 against Ketan	
			amely; Classic Credit Ltd., Classic Share & Stock	
		•	other Fincap, Panther Investrade Ltd., Triumph	
			ia Ltd. and Triumph Securities Ltd. for violation	
			f the SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares &	
		Takeovers) Regu		
			ice is being issued to Abhinav Investments for	
			om dealing in securities for violation of regulation	
			(Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade	
			ng to Securities Market), Regulations, 1995.	
			dings have separately been initiated against	
			s, stock brokers for aiding and abetting Ketan	
			market manipulation by entering into structured	
		and synchronize		
		Broker	Action already taken	
		• .	Enquiry Proceedings under	
		Pvt. Ltd.	progress.	
		Woodstock	Order dated 10.9.04 passed	
		•	warning the broker in the case of GTB.	
		Chandravadan	Order dated 24.2.04 passed suspending the	
		J Dalal	broker for 2 years in the case of Lupin, Aftek, Ranbaxy, Shonkh and GTB.	
		Hem Securities	Order under preparation.	
		Ltd.	Order ander preparation.	
		Latin Manharlal	In the case of GTB, Aftek and Shonkh,	
		Securities	order dated 18.11.03 passed suspending	
		Pvt. Ltd.	registration for 6 months.	

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		Milan Mahendra Order under preparation. Securities Pvt. Ltd.		
		Visaria Secu-	In the case of GTB, Order dated 11.10.04	
		rities Pvt. Ltd.	passed suspending registration for 3 months.	
		Pravin V Shah	Enquiry proceedings initiated.	
		Stock Broking		
		Keynote Capitals	Enquiry proceedings initiated.	
		Ltd.		
		Enquiry procee	dings initiated against Prerak Capital, JBS	
		Securities Ltd., N	Moneycare Securities & Financial Services Ltd.,	
			rities Pvt. Ltd. and Investmart India Ltd., for	
			I (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade	
			g to Securities Market), Regulations, 1995, SEBI	
		,	Rules & Regulations, 1992.	
		Lupin Lab. Pro		
		•	of enquiry proceedings, certificate of registration	
			ph International India Ltd., Triumph Securities	
			curities Ltd. were cancelled vide order dated	
		8.12.03.		
			ngs were also conducted against various broking	
		•	C J Dalal, Milan Mahendra, Hem Securities and tock Broking. C J. Dalal was suspended for two	
			dated 23.02.04. Proceedings in case of other	
		brokers are on.	· ·	
			ints filed against 14 entities in the Court of Addl.	
			CC No. 630/W/03).	
		Cyberspace Ltd		
			ated against 28 brokers. With regard to other	
			n is completed. Enquiries initiated against M/s	
			curities Ltd. and M/s Mangala Capital Services	
		Ltd. are in progre		
			e been issued against Shri Rakesh Mehta om accessing the securities market and dealing	
			ny manner till investigation/inquiry is complete.	
			ns into the dealings of Shri Rakesh Mehta are	
		under progress.	is into the dealings of Shir Nakesh Welld die	
			been issued to Shri Jugal Kishore Barasia on	
			raining him from accessing the securities market	
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and prohibiting him from buying, selling and dealing in securities for a period of one year.

44 show cause notices have been issued against the 19 associate/shell companies (and their directors) which were found to have aided and abetted the company in the manipulation of the scrip. Show cause notices have also been issued to the three promoters of M/s Cyberspace Ltd. and the Century Consultants Ltd. Hearings in the case of 13 entities/individuals held on 27.11.2004. 5 entities/individuals attended the hearing and 4 entities/individuals furnished written submissions. The process of service of show cause notices against the other directors/entities out of the 19 associate/shell companies and their directors and the three promoters of Cyberspace Ltd. & Century Consultants Ltd. is under progress.

Silverline Technologies Ltd.

Enquiry show cause notices issued to the five broking entities on 13.08.2004.

Adjudication proceedings against M/s Silverline Holdings Corporation, M/s Subra Maruitius Limited and M/s Shreyas Holdings Ltd. under progress.

Adjudication proceedings u/s 15A were initiated against the company as well as its promoters for non-compliance of SEBI summons. The Adjudicating Officer vide his orders dated 10.10.03 and 24.10.03 has levied monetary penalties of Rs.19,00,000 and Rs.21,00,000 on the company and its promoters respectively for this default. Appeal was filed by the three promoter entities against the penalty imposed by SEBI which was heard by SAT on 9.7.04 and the penalty amount has been reduced from Rs.21 lakh to Rs.1.5 lakh. Payment not yet made. Recovery proceedings are being initiated.

Prosecution was filed against M/s Silverline Technologies Ltd. for non payment of Adjudication penalty of Rs.19 lakh on 17.08.2004.

Adjudication proceedings against 04 brokers completed. Penalty levied of Rs.1 lakh on Milan Mahendra Securities Pvt. Ltd., Rs.2 lakh on Latin Manharlal Securities Pvt. Ltd. and Rs.1 lakh on Triumph International Finance India Ltd. vide orders dated 23.08.2004 and 24.08.2004.

SSI Ltd.

Enquiry show cause notices have been issued to the three entities on 06.08.2004.

Adjudication proceedings completed. The Adjudication Officer has imposed a penalty of Rs.1 lakh on Milan Mahendra Securities Pvt. Ltd. and Rs. 1 lakh on Triumph International Finance India Ltd. vide orders dated 23.08.2004 and 24.08.2004. Proof of payment of adjudication penalty not furnished by the entities. Recovery proceedings are in the process of being initiated.

Prosecution proceedings u/s 23(1)(b) of the SCRA initiated against the promoters of SSI and three individuals. The process of issuing directions against the three promoters of SSI Ltd. and three individuals for violation of provisions of SCRA is under progress.

Reference made to Chief Commissioner of Income Tax, Chennai on 31.5.04 to look into the aspect of evasion of tax (Capital Gains on sale of shares by promoters etc.) involved in the matter.

Enquiry proceedings against 4 brokers initiated on 2.4.2004. It may be noted that the certificate of registration of 3 of these brokers, which were KP entities, have already been cancelled by SEBI.

Himachal Futuristic Communications Ltd. (HFCL) Actions against HFCL and its promoters/associate companies and their directors

Show cause notices under Sections 11(4)(b) and 11B of SEBI Act 1992 read with Regulation 11 of SEBI (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices relating to Securities Market) Regulations, 2003 have been issued to HFCL/its directors and following mentioned promoters/associate companies of HFCL and their directors on 30.8.04.

- HFCL Infotel Ltd.
- HFCL Trade Invest Ltd.
- Burlington Finance Ltd.
- Toplight Vinimay Pvt. Ltd.
- Vinson Brothers Pvt. Ltd.
- Vinson Trade & Commerce Pvt. Ltd.
- Amrit Sales Promotion Pvt. Ltd.
- Classic Services (Partnership firm)
- Sone Paper & Industries Ltd.

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- Shankar Sales Promotion Pvt. Ltd.
- Yashodham Merchants Pvt. Ltd.
- Kalyan Vyapaar Pvt. Ltd.
- Sungrace Merchandise Pvt. Ltd.
- Baldev Commercial Pvt. Ltd.

Enquiry proceedings have separately been initiated against various following stock brokers for aiding and abetting Ketan Parekh entities in market manipulation by entering into structured and synchronized dealings in HFCL:

Broker	Actions already taken
Chandravadan J Dalal	Order dated 24.2.04 passed suspending the broker for 2 years in the case of Lupin, Aftek, Ranbaxy, Shonkh and GTB.
Hem Securities Ltd. Indsec Securities & Finance Ltd. Keynote Capitals Ltd.	
Latin Manharlal Securities Pvt. Ltd.	In the case of GTB, Aftek and Shonkh, order dated 18.11.03 passed suspending registration for 6 months
Mangal Keshav Shares & Stock Brokers Ltd.	Enquiry Proceedings under progress.
Milan Mahendra Securities Pvt. Ltd.	Order under preparation.
Millenium Equities (I) Pvt. Ltd. Aldan Investment Pvt. Ltd.	In the case of GTB, Order dated 13.9.04 passed suspending for 6 months Enquiry Proceedings under progress
Mukesh Babu Securities Ltd. Omega Equities Pvt. Ltd.	In the case of GTB, Order dated 10.9.04 passed suspending registration for 1 year. Enquiry Proceedings under progress
Pravin V Shah Stock Broking	Enquiry Proceedings under progress
	In the case of Silverline, warning has been issued.

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		Vidyut Devendra	Enquiry Proceedings	
		Kumar	under progress	
		Visaria Securities	In the case of GTB, Order dated 11.10.04	
		Pvt. Ltd.	passed suspending registration for 3 months.	
		Vyomit Stock &	Enquiry Proceedings under progress	
		Investment Pvt. Ltd.		
			g Order dated 10.9.04 passed warning	
		Pvt. Ltd.	the broker in the case of GTB	
		Woodstock	Order dated 10.9.04 passed warning	
			the broker in the case of GTB.	
		As reported in July, 2005		
		DSQ Software		
		Action against promoters The appeals against the SEBI Orders dated 09.09.2004 issued		
			th Dalmia and M/s DSQ Software and its	
			and was DSQ software and its ard by the Hon'ble SAT on 04.02.05. In the	
			ftware the matter is posted for hearing on	
		19.09.2005.	itware the matter to peoted for meaning on	
			Dinesh Dalmia, SAT had directed him to pay	
			crore before the matter could be admitted for	
		hearing and he ha	s paid an amount of Rs. 2.5 crore. On the	
			ellant the sum was reduced to Rs.2.5 crore.	
			ed for hearing on 19.09.2005.	
			case of M/s Dinesh Dalmia Technology Trust,	
		M/s Hulda Properties and Trade Ltd., M/s DSQ Holdings Ltd., M/		
		s Doe Jones Investment and Consultants Pvt. Ltd. and M/s		
		Powerflow Holding and Trading Co. Pvt. Ltd. completed and the details of the penalty is as following:		
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		DSQ Holdings Ltd Powerflow Holding	Rs.10,00,000	
		Trading Co. Pvt. Ltd		
		Hulda Properties &		
		Trades Ltd	Rs.10,00,000	
			h Trust Rs.5,00,000	
		Doe Jones Invest 8		
		Consult Pvt. Ltd	Rs.15,000	
		Herald Equities Pvt	t. Ltd. No Penalty	
		The orders in the case of M/s Dinesh Dalmia Technology Trust		
			ings Ltd. were duly served at the respective	
			, ,	

addresses on 08.02.2005. In the case of M/s Hulda Properties and Trade Ltd. and M/s Powerflow Holding and Trading Co. Pvt. Ltd. the orders were pasted at the their respective addresses on 04.03.2005 and in case of M/s Doe Jones Investment and Consultants Pvt. Ltd. the order was delivered and acknowledged. Order in the case of M/s Herald Equities Pvt. Ltd. was also served at their respective address.

Pursuant to the completion of adjudication proceedings, the penalty amount has been paid by M/s Doe Jones Investments and Consultants Pvt. Ltd. in March 2005. The other parties have not paid the penalty amount within the stipulated time period of 45 days and prosecution proceedings are in the process of being initiated against the entities

DSQ Industries Ltd.

Action against promoters

Order passed on 10/12/2004 against the following entities prohibiting them from accessing the securities market and dealing in securities market for a period of 10 years:

- DSQ Holdings Ltd.
- Hulda Properties and Trades Ltd.
- Cooltex Commodities Ltd.
- Greenfield Investments P Ltd.
- Arun Polymers P Ltd.
- Aspolite Barter
- Naina Barter
- Dinesh Dalmia
- Ashok Sharma.

Action against other entities

- Order dated 08.11.2004 passed against M. Tibrewal & Co. prohibiting for a period of 2 years from accessing capital market.
- 2. Order dated 03/01/2005 passed against Classic Credit and Panther Fincap and Management Services Ltd. to make public announcement under Takeover Regulation taking 01.03.2001 as the reference date for calculation of offer price within 45 days of the date of the order.

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- 3. Order dated 19/01/2005 passed against Doe Jones Investments Ltd. and Arihant Exim Pvt. Ltd. prohibiting them from accessing capital markets for 2 years.
- 4. Order dated 27/01/2005 passed against Biyani Securities Pvt. Ltd. and its directors and Harish Biyani prohibiting them from accessing capital markets for 5 years.

Action against brokers

- 1. Order dated 07/01/2005 passed against Niraj Balasaria, stock broker, CSE suspending the certificate of registration for a period of 3 months.
- Order dated 17/05/2005 passed against Indsec Securities Ltd. No case against the broker under the definition of fraud was observed.

Padmini Technologies Ltd. (PTL)

Action against PTL and its whole time directors

PTL and Vivek Nagpal have appealed against the order of Adjudicating Officer before SAT. The appeals were admitted on 15.3.2005 and 13.4.2005 respectively.

SAT vide order dated 13.4.2005 directed SEBI not to take any coercive steps against Shri Vivek Nagpal on the condition that he deposits a sum of Rs. 50,000/- with SEBI. The said payment has since been received from Shri Nagpal. Subsequently, SAT vide its final order dated 28.06.2005 has reduced the penalty amount from Rs. 3 lac to Rs. 1.5 lac in case of Shri Vivek Nagpal and from Rs. 5 lac to Rs. 1.5 lac in case of PTL.

Proceedings u/s11B of SEBI Act are under way; show cause notices were issued to the company and its directors. An opportunity for personal hearing was granted to PTL & its whole-time directors on 11.11.2004, which was not availed. Another opportunity was given on 30.11.2004 and 15.12.2004. During these hearings, their advocates sought opportunity for cross examination. This aspect has been legally examined and it has been decided to deny cross examination in light of sufficient corroborative evidences available with SEBI. While, the documents relied in preparation of show cause notices have already been provided, an opportunity of fresh personal hearing is proposed before passing the order against them.

Action against Ketan Parekh Group

Panther Fincap and Management Services Ltd., Classic Credit Ltd. and their Directors (including Ketan Parekh)

An opportunity for personal hearing was given to Ketan Parekh entities/ their directors on 24.11.2004, which was not availed. Another opportunity was given on 15.12.2004 when their advocates sought an opportunity for cross examination, which has been legally examined. It has been decided that since SEBI has sufficient corroborative evidences, cross examination shall be denied. Further, vide letter dated 22.12.2004 a reply to the show cause notice has been received. An opportunity of fresh personal hearing is proposed before passing the order against them.

Adjudication proceedings have been completed and Adjudication Officer, vide his orders dated 23/24.08.04, has imposed a penalty of Rs.5 lac each on Panther Fincap and Management Services Ltd. and Classic Credit Ltd.

The entities have appealed against the order of Adjudicating Officer before SAT. The matter came up for hearing on 8.6.2005 before SAT and was adjourned to 3.8.2005.

Triumph International Finance Ltd. (TIFL)

A reply to show cause notice dated 27.8.2004 has been received from TIFL vide its letter dated 12.1.2005. TIFL has however sought an opportunity for personal hearing, which is proposed before passing the order against them.

It may be noted that registration of TIFL is already cancelled for violations committed in other cases vide an earlier order dated 16.5.02. The date of order was earlier inadvertently mentioned as 16.5.03 in the 3rd Progress Report. Error is regretted.

Action against Statutory Auditors

(Kailash Chandra Agarwal, Chartered Accountant)

In regard to proceedings u/s 11B of SEBI Act, the submissions of auditor vide letter dated 22.1.2004, 23.8.2004 and 18.10.2004 have been examined. Fresh opportunity of hearing was also granted to auditor for 29.3.2005, which was adjourned. Fresh hearing is proposed before passing the order.

Action against Others

Sanjay Kumar, Chartered Accountant

In regard to proceedings u/s 11B of SEBI Act, an opportunity for

personal hearing was granted to Shri Sanjay Kumar on 15.3.2005, however he failed to appear citing medical problem and stating that SEBI had already initiated prosecution on similar charge. Meanwhile, a reply dated 17.6.2005 to the show cause notice has also been received from Shri Sanjay Kumar. Fresh hearing is proposed before passing the order against him.

A reminder was issued to ICAI seeking status of reference dated 26.12.2003. ICAI vide its letter dated 4.11.2004 informed that clarification has been received from Shri Sanjay Kumar and further action is being taken as per the provisions of Section 21 of the Chartered Accountants Act, 1949.

Shri Sanjay Kumar had appealed against the order for imposition of penalty by Adjudicating officer. SAT vide its order dated 24.11.2004 admitted the appeal by Shri Sanjay Kumar against this order and directed SEBI not to take any coercive steps against the appellant on conditions that appellant deposit a sum of Rs.50,000. The said amount has been paid by the appellant. Subsequently, SAT on 10.2.2005 has passed a final order and reduced the quantum of penalty to Rs. 25,000/-.

Kolkatta based preferential allottees

Chairman, SEBI had granted opportunities of personal hearing to 18 Kolkata based preferential allottees on 22.12.2004 and 30.12.2004 against whom proceedings u/s 11B of SEBI Act were initiated. None of these entities appeared for hearing. However, 3 allottees got stay from Calcutta High Court against the proceedings by SEBI. Calcutta High Court vide its orders dated 23.3.2005 has dismissed the appeals filed by 3 Kolkatta based preferential allottees. Another opportunity of personal hearing is proposed before passing order against the allottees.

Delhi based preferential allottees

Show cause notices were issued to 12 Delhi based allottees/ their directors in October/ November 2004. Some entities had sought copies of documents relied in preparation of show cause notices, which were duly provided. No reply has been received from them.

An opportunity for personal hearing was granted to these entities on 15.3.2005, however none of them appeared. Some Delhi based entities namely VB Impex P Ltd., Iris Infrastructurals P. Ltd., Mikona Impex & Traders P. Ltd., DKG Buildcon P. Ltd. and

JP Promoters P. Ltd. sought another date of hearing. No reply was received from others. Fresh hearing is proposed before passing the order against them.

A & A Finvest P. Ltd. (a sub-broker)

Fresh opportunity of hearing was granted to A & A Finvest P. Ltd. for 29.3.2005, which was adjourned. Fresh hearing is proposed before passing the order against the entity.

Shonkh Technologies Ltd.

Action against Promoters/Company

11B actions against Promoters of the company:

Pursuant to Show Cause Notices issued to the promoters and associated entities (15 entities) of Shonkh Technologies International Limited, 2 entities have sought inspection of documents and the same have been provided in October 2004. The entities sought adjournment of personal hearing fixed for 5th April, 2005. Subsequently, personal hearing before Whole Time Member has been fixed for 2nd August, 2005.

Adjudication against Shri Vivek Nagpal and promoters of Shonkh Technologies International Ltd.

Adjudication orders levying a penalty of Rs.1 crore each against Shri Vivek Nagpal and Padmini Techologies Ltd. have been passed. Against the adjudication orders, Shri Vivek Nagpal and Padmini Technologies Ltd. have filed an appeal before SAT and as per the interim orders of SAT dated 19th April, 2004 they have deposited a sum of Rs.1,50,000/- each. SAT, vide its final orders dated 3rd February 2005, reduced the penalty of Adjudication Officer from Rs. 1 crore to Rs. 10,000/- for M/s. Padmini Technologies Ltd. and from Rs. 1 crore to Rs. 40,000/- for Shri Vivek Nagpal. The penalties have been paid.

Adjudication against associated entities of the company/ promoters

Present position is as follows:

- (i) Against 2 entities no penalty has been imposed by the Adjudicating Officer. (On 31.12.2003, adjudication orders have been passed against Shri D.K.Jain and Delhi Securities Ltd.)
- (ii) Against 15 entities penalty of Rs. 1 crore each was levied by the Adjudicating Officer. Accordingly, the position stated in the 3rd Progress Report as 16 entities stands corrected. Error is regretted.

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(iii) Out of the above, one entity (Shri Mukesh Malhotra) has appealed before SAT against the adjudication order. SAT vide order dated 16th September, 2004 directed Shri Mukesh Malhotra to deposit Rs. 25,000/- with SEBI and co-operate with SEBI in the case. Shri Mukesh Malhotra, vide letter dated 20.10.2004, has deposited the amount with SEBI.

Names and dates of adjudication orders of the above entities are given below:

- (i) On 28.11.2003, orders have been passed against the following entities: Ankur Cultivators P Ltd., Saral Website & Exim Pvt. Ltd., Mikona Impex & Traders P Ltd., Sanyo Finance P Ltd., Spectrum.com P Ltd., Iris Infrastructure P Ltd., DKG Buildcon P Ltd. and Churuwala Exports P Ltd.
- (ii) On 10.12.2003, orders have been passed against Zodiac.com P Ltd. and Noted Infotech P Ltd.
- (iii) On 18.12.2003, order has been passed against Advance Hovercrafts and Composites (India) Ltd.
- (iv) On 22.12.2003, orders have been passed against Shri Ravi Krishnamoorti and Shri C.V.R. Rao.
- (v) On 31.12.2003, order has been passed against R. C. Gupta & Co. P Ltd.

Also, adjudication order dated 10.06.2005 has been passed against M/s. Shonkh Technologies International Ltd. imposing a penalty of Rs. 50.000/-.

The penalties are yet to be paid. Further actions for non payment of penalties are under consideration.

Prosecution proceedings against promoter entities and other entities:

Prosecution proceedings have been launched on 24th December, 2004 against Shri Vivek Nagpal, M/s. Padmini Technologies Ltd. and the following 13 entities before Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, New Delhi:

- 1. M/s. Advance Hovercrafts and Composites India Ltd.
- 2. M/s. Ankur Cultivators Pvt. Ltd.
- 3. M/s. Churuwala Exports Pvt. Ltd.
- 4. M/s. DKG Buildcon Pvt. Ltd.
- 5. M/s. Iris Infrastructurals Pvt. Ltd.
- 6. M/s. Mikona Impex and Traders Pvt. Ltd.

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- 7. M/s. Noted Infotech Pvt. Ltd.
- 8. R C Gupta & Co. Pvt. Ltd.
- 9. M/s. Sanyo Finance & Investment Pvt. Ltd.
- 10. M/s. Saral Website and Exim Pvt. Ltd.
- 11. M/s. Shonkh Technologies Inter-national Ltd.
- 12. M/s. Spectrum.com Pvt. Ltd.
- 13. M/s. Zodiac.com Pvt. Ltd.

Adjudication against other entities:

Adjudication orders have been passed against 4 other entities.

The details of the orders are given below:

Name of Entity	Date of Order	Penalty Imposed (Rs.)
M/s. A Nitin Capital Services Ltd.	11th March, 2005	50,000/-
M/s. Rajkar Electricals &	14th March, 2005	
Electronics Pvt. Ltd.		15,000/-
Shri Baldev Raj	29th April, 2005	15,000/-
M/s. Harpal Associates Pvt. Ltd.	31st May, 2005	15,000/-

The penalties are yet to be paid.

Actions against Brokers

Enquiry reports have been received against 8 brokers. Orders against two of them have been passed (vide order dated 18th November, 2003, Latin Minarlal has been suspended for 6 months and vide order dated 23rd February, 2004 C.J. Dalal has been suspended for 2 years).

Enquiry reports have been received against Hem Securities and Milan Mahendra. Hearing for these two entities has also been completed. Orders under preparation.

Enquiry reports have been received against 4 other broking entities. The details of the same are given below:

Name of Intermediary	Date of Enquiry Report	Reco- mmendation of Enquiry Officer
M/s. A Nitin Capital Services Ltd. M/s. Agroy Finance	31st May, 2005	Censure
and Investment Ltd.	31st May, 2005	Censure
M/s. Delhi Securities Ltd.	20th June, 2005	Censure
M/s. A Jain & Co. Pvt. Ltd.	29th June, 2005	No Penalty

The same are under consideration.

Actions against other entities:

Show cause notices issued against Money Growth Investment and Consultants Pvt. Ltd. on 26th September, 2004, Shamit Finvest Pvt. Ltd. on 24th September, 2004 and Shonkh Technologies International Ltd. on 17th September, 2004. Money Growth Investment and Consultants Pvt. Ltd., replied vide their letter dated 25th October, 2004, Shonkh Technologies International Ltd. replied vide their letter dated 8th October, 2004 and Shamit Finvest Pvt. Ltd. replied vide their letter dated 12th October, 2004. As per their request, inspection of documents has been provided to Money Growth and Shonkh Technologies in April 2005. Subsequently, Shonkh Technologies and Money Growth have sought copies of documents. The same are being provided.

Further, Show Cause Notices dated 17th May, 2005 under Section 11B of SEBI Act issued against the following 8 entities:

- 1. Mukesh Gupta
- 2. FNS Consultants Pvt. Ltd.
- 3. Baldev Raj
- 4. Rajkar Electricals & Electronics Ltd.
- 5. Gopi Ram Gupta
- 6. Harpal Associates Pvt. Ltd.
- 7. Baldev Harish Elect Pvt. Ltd. and
- 8. Ms. Simmy Gupta

Reply has been received from Ms. Simmi Gupta (on behalf of Ms. Simmi Gupta and Shri Gopi Ram Gupta) vide her letter dated 16th June, 2005 and the same is under examination. Replies from other entities have not been received so far.

Actions relating to Listing of shares on BSE and DSE

BSE and DSE were advised to investigate into the listing of shares on their exchanges in August 2000. BSE and DSE have submitted their reports. The same have been perused and issue of SCN to DSE has been approved in April 2005. Draft SCN has been prepared and is under legal vetting.

Ranbaxy Laboratories Ltd.

Against promoter group entities/company

i) 11 B action against Vidyut Investment Ltd. - Show cause

notice was issued to Vidyut Investment Ltd., a subsidiary of Ranbaxy Laboratories Ltd., on December 31, 2004. Reply was received on 24th February 2005. The reply is being examined before putting up for personal hearing.

Similarly, supplementary Show Cause Notices were issued to the following (Ketan Parekh related) entities on 16th May 2005 for their dealings with Vidyut Investments Ltd.:

- 1. Classic Credit Ltd.
- 2. Panther Fincap & Management Services Ltd.

The replies have not been received so far.

Action against stock brokers

Broking entities other than KP entities

25 broking entities – Enquiry reports submitted in 24 cases and subsequently show cause notices have been issued to all the 24 entities. Replies have been received in response to post enquiry show cause notices from all entities. Personal hearing proceedings are under progress.

Global Trust Bank Ltd

Action against other entities

Reply to show cause notice issued under section 11 of SEBI Act, 1992 has been received from the following 14 entities. The hearing before the Member – SEBI is scheduled on July 27 and 28, 2005

- 1. 20th Century Securities Ltd.
- 2. Ashok Mittal
- 3. Ashok Mittal & Co.
- 4. Brentfield Holdings Ltd.
- 5. Claridges Investment and Finance Pvt. Ltd.
- 6. Kallar Kahar (sub account of FII CSFB)
- 7. European Investments Ltd.
- 8. Far East Investments Ltd.
- 9. Kensington Investments Ltd.
- 10. Phulchand Sons Investmnets
- 11. RP&C International A/c Coral Reef Inv. Co. Pvt. Ltd.
- 12. TCFC Securities Ltd.
- 13. Vidyut Invt.
- 14. DITC/DBMG (sub account of DITC)

Aftek Infosys Ltd

1. Progress of enquiry proceedings against the brokers is as follows:

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		Broker	Status	
		Hem Securities	Enquiry proceedings were initiated on 3.10.2001.	
		Ltd	Enquiry officer submitted the report on 3.7.2003	
			recommending the suspension of registration	
			for a period of two years. Hearing was granted	
			to Hem Securites on 12/01/2004 by ex-Whole	
			Time Member. After his retirement, the matter	
			is proposed to be heard de-novo.	
			Enquiry proceedings were initiated on 3.10.2001.	
		Securities	Enquiry officer submitted the report on 3.7.2003	
		Pvt Ltd	recommending the suspension of registration	
			for a period of two years. Hearing was granted	
			to Milan Mahendra on 14/06/2004 by ex-Whole	
			Time Member. After his retirement, the matter	
			is proposed to be heard de-novo.	
		Progress o follows:	f action under Section 11B of SEBI Act is as	
		Name of entity	Status	
		Mividha	Show cause notice was issued on 30/9/2002	
		Investments Ltd	asking them to show cause why suitable	
			directions including a direction restraining from	
			accessing the capital market/buying, selling or	
			dealing in securities for a particular duration	
			should not be passed against them. Hearing	
			was granted on 22/10/2003 by ex-Whole Time	
			Member. After his retirement, the matter is	
			proposed to be heard de-novo.	
		Vidyut	Show cause notice was issued on 5/2/2003	
		Investment Ltd	asking them to show cause why suitable	
			directions including a direction restraining from	
			accessing the capital market/buying, selling or	
			dealing in securities for a particular duration	
			should not be passed against them. Hearing was granted on 17/6/2003 by ex-Whole Time	
			Member. After his retirement, the matter is	
			proposed to be heard de-novo.	
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		period of one ye SEBI order. Zee Telefilms I Progress of en entities, who aid	quiry proceedings initiated against the broking ded and abetted Ketan Parekh entities in market by entering into structured and synchronized
		Broker	Status of enquiry in the
		Woodstock Broking Pvt Ltd	case of Zee Tele-Films Enquiry initiated on 22/11/2004. Enquiry officer submitted the report dated 29/6/2005 recommending no penalty.
		Mukesh Babu Securities Ltd	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry officer submitted the report on May 24, 2005 recommending suspension of broking registration for a period of one month. Based on the recommendation, show cause notice was issued on June 7, 2005 asking them why action should not be taken against them as recommended by the Enquiry officer. Reply received from them is being examined before putting up for personal hearing before Whole Time Member.
		Mangal Keshav Shares & Stock Brokers Ltd	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry proceedings under progress.
		Milan Mahendra Ltd	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry proceedings under progress.
		Visaria Securities Pvt Ltd	s Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry officer submitted the report on May 31, 2005 recommending no penalty.
		Show cause no	tice was issued to Zee Tele-Films on 22.3.2005

Show cause notice was issued to Zee Tele-Films on 22.3.2005 under Sections 11(4)(b) and 11B of SEBI Act 1992 asking them to show cause why suitable directions including a direction restraining from accessing the capital market/buying, selling or dealing in securities for a particular duration should not be passed

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		material relied representatives on June 10, 20	Zee Tele-Film sought list of documents and d upon by SEBI. Accordingly, their authorized is have inspected the documents at SEBI office 105. Further documents as desired by them were on July 11, 2005. Reply to the show cause notice
		Show cause not February 11, 20 documents and authorized rep SEBI office on them were give awaited. Global Tele-Sy Progress of elbrokers for aiditations.	It Essel Group (promoters of Zee Tele-Films): otice issued to 6 promoters of Zee Tele-Films on 2005. The promoter companies have sought list of d material relied upon by SEBI. Accordingly, their presentatives have inspected the documents at June 10, 2004. Further documents as desired by an on July 11, 2005. Reply to the show cause notice systems Ltd (now new name GTL Ltd) inquiry proceedings initiated against the stock ing and abetting Ketan Parekh entities in market by entering into structured and synchronized follows:
		Broker	Status of enquiry proceedings in the case of Global Tele-systems Ltd
		 Vyomit Stock Investment Pvt Ltd. 	
		2. Omega Equities Pvt Ltd.	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry proceedings under progress.
		 Mangal Keshav Shares Stock Brokers Ltd. 	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry proceedings under progress.

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4. Chandravadan Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry officer submitted the report on May 19, 2005 recommending suspension of broking registration for a period of three months. Based on the recommendation, show cause notice issued on May 24, 2005 asking them

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			why action should not be taken against them as recommen-ded by the Enquiry officer. Reply received from them is being examined before putting up for personal hearing before Whole Time Member.	
		5. Hem Securities Ltd	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry proceedings under progress.	
		6. Latin Manharlal Securities Pvt Ltd	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry officer submitted the report on May 19, 2005 recommending suspension of broking registration for a period of one month. Based on the recommendation, show cause notice issued on June 7, 2005 asking them why action should not be taken against them as recommended by the Enquiry officer. Reply received from them is being examined before putting up for personal hearing before Whole Time Member.	
		7. Mukesh Babu Securities Ltd	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry officer submitted the report on May 24, 2005 recommending suspension of broking registration for a period of one month. Based on the recommendation, show cause notice issued on June 7, 2005 asking them why action should not be taken against them as recommended by the Enquiry officer. Reply received from them is being examined before putting up for personal hearing before Whole Time Member.	
		8. Milan Mahendra Securities Pvt Ltd	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry proceedings under progress.	
		9. Visaria Securities Pvt Ltd	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry officer submitted its report on May 31, 2005 recommending no penalty.	
		10. Pravin V Shah Stock Broking	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry officer submitted the report on May 31, 2005 recommending minor penalty of censure. Show cause notice issued on June 7, 2005 asking them why action should not be taken against them as recommended by the Enquiry officer. Reply received from them is being examined before putting up for personal hearing before Whole Time Member.	

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	11. Woodstock Securities Pvt Ltd	Enquiry initiated on 22/11/2004. Enquiry officer submitted the report dated June 30, 2005 recommend-ing no penalty.	
	on January to show car restraining or dealing is be passed They have them is be hearing bef 2. Progress of brokers for market ma	Ltd. Se Notice issued under Section 11 B of SEBI Act 4, 2005 to Abhinav Investments Ltd asking them use why suitable directions including a direction from accessing the capital market/buying, selling in securities for a particular duration should not against them. Reply received on May 6, 2005. sought personal hearing. Reply received from sing examined before putting up for personal fore Whole Time Member. of enquiry proceedings initiated against stock adding and abetting Ketan Parekh entities in anipulation by entering into structured and led dealings is as follows:	
	Broker 1.Omega	Status in the case of Adani Exports Ltd Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry	
	Equities Pvt Ltd 2. Woodstock Broking Pvt Ltd	proceedings under progress. Enquiry initiated on 22/11/2004. Enquiry officer submitted the report recommending no penalty.	
	3. Chandravadan J Dalal	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry officer submitted the report on May 19, 2005 recommending suspension of broking registration for a period of three months. Based on the recommendation, show cause notice issued on May 24, 2005 asking them why action should not be taken against them as recommended by the Enquiry officer. Reply received from them is being examined before putting up for personal hearing before Whole Time Member.	
	4. Hem Securities Ltd	Enquiry proceedings under progress. Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004.	

SI.No.	Para No.Observation/Recommendation of JPC	R	eply of Government/Action Taken	Further Progress
		5. Latin Manharlal Securities Pvt Ltd	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry officer submitted the report on May 19, 2005 recommending suspension of broking registration for a period of one month. Based on the recommendation, show cause notice issued on June 7, 2005 asking them why action should not be taken against them as recommended by the Enquiry officer. Reply received from them is being examined before putting up for personal hearing before Whole Time Member.	
		6. Milan Mahendra Securities Pvt Ltd	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry proceedings under progress.	
		7. Visaria Securities Pvt Ltd	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry officer submitted its report on May 31, 2005 recommending no penalty.	
		8. Pravin V Shah Stock Broking	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry officer submitted the report on May 31, 2005 recommending minor penalty of censure. Show cause notice issued on June 7, 2005 asking them why action should not be taken against them as recommended by the Enquiry officer. Reply received from them is being examined before putting up for personal hearing before Whole Time Member.	
		9. Keynote Capitals Ltd	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry officer submitted the report on May 24, 2005 recommending suspension of broking registration for a period of one month. Show cause notice issued on June 7, 2005 asking them why action should not be taken against them as recommen-ded by the Enquiry officer. Their request for inspection of documents is being examined.	
		against the Moneycare Securities	ceedings were also initiated on October 20, 2004 brokers - Prerak Capital, JBS Securities Ltd, Securities & Financial Services Ltd, Madhuvan Pvt Ltd and Investmart India Ltd for violation of 4 of SEBI (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair	

Trade Practices Relating to Securities Market), Regulations, 1995 and regulation 7 read with Schedule II of SEBI (Stock Brokers) Rules & Regulations, 1992. Enquiry proceedings under progress.

- 4. Show cause notice dated January 3, 2005 under Section 11B issued to following 7 promoters entities of Adani Export asking them to show cause why suitable directions including a direction restraining from accessing the capital market/buying, selling or dealing in securities for a particular duration should not be passed against them:
 - a. Adani Agro Ltd
 - b. Adani Impex Ltd
 - c. Shahi Property Developers Ltd
 - d. Adani Properties Ltd
 - e. Advance Exports Ltd
 - f. Intercontinental India
 - g. Crown International

Promoter entities have sought further documents and inspection of documents relied upon by SEBI. Additional documents were given to them on July 1, 2005.

Himachal Futuristic Communications Ltd (HFCL)

Actions against HFCL and its promoters/associate companies and their directors

Quasi judicial proceedings are initiated against HFCL, 14 promoters/associate companies and their 52 directors.

The HFCL, promoter companies and their directors have sought list of documents and material relied upon by SEBI. Accordingly, authorized representatives of following entities have inspected documents on various dates at SEBI office viz. October 25, 2004, November 2, 2004, November 24, 2004, November 25, 2004, November 29, 2004 and December 3, 2004:

- 1. Himachal Futuristic Communications Ltd
- 2. HFCL Trade Invest Ltd
- 3. HFCL Infotel Ltd
- 4. Mr. Vinay Maloo, director of HFCL
- 5. Mr.Mahendra Nahata, director of HFCL

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- 6. Dr.Deepak Malhotra, director of HFCL
- 7. Mr.D R Baid, director of HFCL
- 8. Mr. Sooraj Kapoor, director of HFCL
- 9. Mr.C K Goushal, director of HFCL
- 10. Mr.B B Chadha, director of HFCL
- 11. Dr.R M Kastia, director of HFCL
- 12. Y S Chaudhary, director of HFCL

Further, authorized representatives of following 12 promoter companies have taken inspection of documents on December

- 22, 2004 and December 24, 2004:1. Toplight Vinimay Pvt Ltd
- 2. Vinson Brothers Pvt Ltd
- 3. Vinson Trade & Commerce Pvt Ltd
- 4. Amrit Sales Promotion Pvt Ltd.
- Classic Services
- 6. Sone Paper & Industries Ltd
- 7. Shankar Sales Promotion Pvt Ltd
- 8. Yashodham Merchants Pvt Ltd
- 9. Kalyan Vyapaar Pvt Ltd
- 10. Sungrace Merchandise Pvt Ltd
- 11. Baldev Commercial Pvt Ltd
- 12. Burlington Finance Ltd

As requested by them, SEBI vide letter dated January 14, 2005 has given copies of documents which have been relied upon by SEBI for evidence. The above entities and their directors have been advised to reply to the show cause notice within 15 days. As desired by them further documents were given on March 11, 2005. The above entities now replied to the show cause notice on June 3, 2005 and June 6, 2005. They have sought a personal hearing before the appropriate authority of SEBI. 2. Progress of enquiry proceedings initiated against stock brokers for aiding and abetting Ketan Parekh entities in market manipulation by entering into structured and synchronized dealings is as follows:

Broker

Status in the case of HFCL

1.Chandravadan J Dalal Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry officer submitted its report on May 19, 2005 recommending suspension of broking registration for a period of three months. Based on the recommendation, show cause notice issued on May 24, 2005 asking them

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			why action should not be taken against them as recommen-ded by the Enquiry officer. Reply received from them is being examined before putting up for personal hearing before Whole Time Member.	
		2. Hem Securities Ltd	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry proceedings under progress.	
		3. Indsec Securities & Finance Ltd	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry proceedings under progress.	
		4. Keynote Capitals Ltd	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry officer submitted its report on May 24, 2005 recommending suspension of broking registration for a period of one month. Show cause notice issued on June 7, 2005 asking them why action should not be taken against them as recommended by the Enquiry officer. Their request for inspection of documents is being examined.	
		5. Latin Manharlal Securities Pvt Ltd	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry officer submitted its report on May 19, 2005 recommending suspension of broking registration for a period of one month. Based on the recommendation, show cause notice issued on June 7, 2005 asking them why action should not be taken against them as recommended by the Enquiry officer. Reply received from them is being examined before putting up for personal hearing before Whole Time Member.	
		6. Mangal Keshav Shares & Stock Brokers Ltd	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry proceedings under progress.	
		7. Milan Mahendra Securities Pvt Ltd	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry Proceedings under progress.	
		8. Millenium Equities (I) Pvt Ltd	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry officer submitted the report on June 30, 2005 recommending no penalty.	

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	9. Aldan Investment Pvt Ltd	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry officer submitted the report on June 30, 2005 recommending no penalty.	
	10. Mukesh Babi Securities Ltd	u Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry officer submitted its report on May 24, 2005 recommending suspension of broking registration for a period of one month. Based on the recommendation, show cause notice issued on June 7, 2005 asking them why action should not be taken against them as recommended by the Enquiry officer. Reply received from them is being examined before putting up for personal hearing before Whole Time Member.	
	11. Omega Equities Pvt Ltd	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry proceedings under progress	
	12. Pravin V Shah Stock Broking	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry officer submitted its report on May 31, 2005 recommending minor penalty of censure. Show cause notice issued on June 7, 2005 asking them why action should not be taken against them as recommended by the Enquiry officer. Reply received from them is being examined before putting up for personal hearing before Whole Time Member.	
	13. Subhkam Securities	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry officer submitted its report dated December 29, 2004 recommending no penalty.	
	14. Vidyut Devendrakumar	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry officer submitted its report on May 24, 2005 recommending suspension of broking registration for a period of one month. Show cause notice issued on June 7, 2005 asking them why action should not be taken against them as recommended by the Enquiry officer. Their reply is awaited.	
	15. Visaria Securities Pvt Ltd	Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry officer submitted the report on May 31, 2005 recommending no penalty.	

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	16. Vyomit Stock Enquiry initiated on 20/10/2004. Enquiry proceedings & Investment Pvt Ltd under progress.	
	17. Woodstock Enquiry initiated on 22/11/2004. Enquiry officer Broking Pvt Ltd submitted the report on June 29, 2005 recommending no penalty.	
	18. Woodstock Enquiry initiated on 22/11/2004. Enquiry officer Securities PvtLtd submitted the report on June 30, 2005 recommending no penalty.	
	Based on the findings of investigations in the case of HFCL, Zee Telefilms Ltd, Adani Exports Ltd and Global Tele-Systems Ltd, a consolidated show-cause notice dated January 31, 2005 has been issued to Shri Ketan Parekh, Shri Kartik Parekh and 9 entities connected with them viz. Panther Fincap & Management Services Ltd, Classic Credit Ltd, Panther Investrade Ltd, Classic Infin Ltd, Saimangal Investrade Ltd, Chitrakut Computers Pvt Ltd, Luminant Investments Pvt Ltd, Goldfish Computers Pvt Ltd, Luminant Investments Pvt Ltd. They have been asked to show cause why suitable directions including a direction restraining from accessing the capital market/buying, selling or dealing in securities for a particular duration should not be issued against them. Ketan Parekh entities were granted inspection of documents relied upon by SEBI on 17/5/2005 and 18/5/2005. As desired by them, copies of additional documents, apart from the documents already given while issuing show cause notice, were given to them on July 11, 2005. Reply to the show cause notice awaited. Cyberspace Ltd Investigation Report in the case of M/s Renaissance Securities Ltd. and other brokers has been approved on May 09, 2005. Follow up actions in this regard are under progress. The SCNs are served on the following entities: 1. M/s Cyberspace Ltd.: April 08, 2005 2. M/s Century Consultants Ltd.: April 08, 2005. The SCN to Ms. Vandana Srivastava is being served. First Global Stock Broking Ltd. The matter is yet to come up for hearing before the Hon'ble High Court.	

SSI Ltd.

Enquiry proceedings have been completed against the following entities on April 30, 2005:

- Classic Share and Stock Broking Services Ltd.
- Triumph International Finance India Ltd.
- Triumph Securities Ltd.

The Enquiry Officer has recommended suspension of registration certificate for a period of 6 months in all the three cases. Since the registration certificates of these entities have already been cancelled, a view is being taken regarding the same.

SAT, in its combined order dated April 15, 2005 in the matter of SSI Ltd. and Silverline Technologies Ltd. has set aside the Adjudication Order levying penalty of Rs.1,00,000/- on M/s Milan Mahendra Securities Pvt. Ltd. in one case whereas reduced the penalty from Rs. 1,00,000/- to Rs.10,000/- in the other which has already been deposited by the broker.

M/s Triumph International Finance Ltd. has appealed against the adjudication order before SAT levying penalty of Rs. 1,00,000. The process of issuing directions against the three promoters of SSI Ltd. and three individuals for violation of the provisions of SCRA is under progress.

Silverline Ltd.

The enquiry proceedings against the 5 broking entities are in progress.

M/s Silverline Technologies Ltd. has paid the penalty of Rs.19,00,000/- on March 15, 2005. Further, penalty of Rs.1,50,000/-, as per the Order of SAT dated July 09, 2004 has been paid by M/s Subra Maritius Ltd. and M/s Shreyas Holdings Ltd. on June 29, 2005.

As mentioned above, SAT, in its combined Order dated April 15, 2005 in the matter of SSI Ltd. and Silverline Technologies Ltd. has set aside the adjudication order levying penalty of Rs.1,00,000/- on M/s Milan Mahendra Securities Pvt. Ltd. in one case whereas reduced the penalty from Rs. 1,00,000/- to Rs.10,000/- in the other which has already been deposited by the broker.

M/s Latin Manharlal Securities Pvt. Ltd. and M/s Triumph International Finance Ltd. have appealed against the adjudication orders before SAT levying penalties of Rs.2,00,000/- and Rs.1,00,000/- on them respectively.

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As reported in December, 2005

DSQ Software

In the case of M/s DSQ Software, the final hearing before the SAT completed on 16.11.2005 and order is yet to be passed.

DSQ Industries

No further developments

Padmini Technologies Ltd. (PTL)

Against PTL and its whole time directors

An opportunity of personal hearing was extended to PTL & its directors for 30.9.2005. However PTL/directors sought adjournment. A final opportunity of personal hearing is scheduled on 15.12.2005 before passing order against them.

Proceedings u/s 11B of SEBI Act are in progress.

Against Ketan Parekh group

Panther Fincap and Management Services Ltd., Classic Credit Ltd. and their Directors (including Ketan Parekh)

Proceedings u/s 11B of SEBI Act, are in progress.

In respect of appeals filed by Panther Fincap and Management Services Ltd. and Classic Credit Ltd. against the orders of Adjudicating Officer, the matter came up for hearing on 3.8.2005 before SAT and was adjourned. Fresh date has not been given by SAT so far.

Against Statutory Auditors (Kailash Chandra Agarwal, Chartered Accountant)

Final opportunity of personal hearing was given to the auditor for 30.9.2005, which was not availed. Order is under preparation.

Against Others

Sanjay Kumar, Chartered Accountant

Another opportunity of personal hearing was extended on 30.9.2005. Shri Gupta however sought adjournment citing that Court had also fixed hearing for 30.9.2005 in the prosecution case filed by SEBI. Final opportunity of hearing is proposed before passing the order against him.

Kolkatta based preferential allottees

Another opportunity of personal hearing was given to all these allottees on 6/7.10.2005 at Kolkatta. During the hearing, these entities sought time for making written submissions by 10.11.2005. Written submissions have been received from most of these allottees on 29.11.2005. They have further sought opportunity of personal hearing, which is being considered.

Delhi based preferential allottees

Another opportunity of personal hearing to these entities was extended for 30.9.2005. However, a letter was received from Shri Arun Goenka on behalf of Goenka group of allottees seeking adjournment. A letter was also received from director of DKG Buildcon P. Ltd. seeking adjournment. Final opportunity of personal hearing has been given to Goenka group of allottees, DKG Builders Pvt. Ltd., Iris Infrastructure P. Ltd., Mikona Impex Traders P. Ltd. for 15.12.2005 before passing the order against them. Draft orders in respect of other Delhi based allottees are under preparation.

A & A Finvest P. Ltd. (sub-broker)

Whole-Time-Member granted personal hearing for 30.9.2005, which was attended by Shri Atal Goel. Order is under preparation.

Shonkh Technologies Ltd.

Adjudication order imposing a penalty of Rs. 1 crore was passed against Advance Hovercrafts Composites (India) Ltd. The entity appealed in SAT against the adjudication order. SAT vide its order dated 25th May, 2005 has reduced the penalty to Rs.50,000/-, which has been paid.

Enquiry officer recommended censure against three brokers viz. M/s Delhi Securities Ltd., M/s Agroy Finance Investment Ltd. and M/s A. Nitin Capital Services Ltd. Post enquiry show cause notices have been issued on October 21, 2005 to all the three brokers. Replies have been received from M/s Agroy Finance & Investment Ltd. & M/s Delhi Securities Ltd. on 2.11.2005 & 7.11.2005 respectively, which are being examined.

Zee Telefilms

Common enquiry had been initiated against the broker Mangal Keshav Shares and Stock Brokers Ltd. for trading in the scrips of HFCL, Zee Telefilms and Global Tele Ltd. Enquiry officer submitted the report on August 16, 2005 recommending no penalty.

Common enquiry has been initiated against Milan Mahendra Securities Pvt. Ltd. on 20.10.04 for trading in the scrip of Zee Telefilms Ltd., GTL Ltd., Adani Exports and HFCL. Enquiry Officer submitted the report on 23.11.05 recommending suspension of certificate of registration of the broker for a period of three months. Post enquiry show cause notice was issued to the broker on 25.11.05. Reply is awaited.

Reply has been received from Mukesh Babu Securities Ltd. and passing of the order is under consideration.

Action against Essel Group (promoters of Zee Tele-films):-Reply received and hearing is being fixed. Global Tele-Systems Ltd (now GTL Ltd.)

Progress of enquiry proceedings initiated against the stock brokers for aiding and abetting Ketan Parekh entities in market manipulation by entering into structured and synchronized dealings:

Reply has been received from Chandravadan J Dalal and order will be passed after completion of quasi-judicial process.

Common enquiry had been initiated against the broker Omega

Equities for trading in the scrips of HFCL, Adani Exports Ltd. and Global Tele Ltd. Enquiry officer submitted the report on August 24, 2005 recommending no penalty.

Common enquiry had been initiated against the broker Mangal Keshav Shares and Stock Brokers Ltd. for trading in the scrips of HFCL, Zee Telefilms and Global Tele Ltd. Enquiry officer submitted the report on August 16, 2005 recommending no penalty.

Common enquiry had been initiated against Hem Securities for trading in the scrip of HFCL, Adani Exports Ltd. and Global Tele Ltd. On their request, inspection of documents was provided to them on October 19, 2005. Statutory enquiry is under progress.

Adani Exports Ltd.

Reminder letter sent to 7 promoter entities of Adani Exports Ltd. viz. Adani Agro Ltd., Adani Impex Ltd., Shahi Property Developers Ltd., Adani Properties Ltd., Advance Exports Ltd., Intercontinental India, Crown International on October 28, 2005 to reply to show cause notice.

Against Brokers

- Common enquiry had been initiated against the broker Omega Equities for trading in the scrip of HFCL, Adani Exports Ltd. and Global Tele Ltd. Enquiry officer submitted the report on August 24, 2005 recommending no penalty.
- Common enquiry had been initiated against Hem Securities for trading in scrip of HFCL, Adani Exports Ltd. and Global Tele Ltd. On their request, inspection of documents was provided to them on October 19, 2005. Further action is in progress.
- 3. Enquiry officer submitted report of the enquiry against JBS Securities Ltd. on August 8, 2005 recommending suspension of certificate of registration for a period of one month. Post enquiry SCN issued on August 12, 2005 asking them why action should not be taken against them as recommended by the Enquiry officer. Reply received on October 4, 2005 in response to post-enquiry show cause notice issued to them. Further action is in progress.

- 4. Enquiry officer submitted report of the enquiry against Moneycare Securities & Financial Services Ltd. on July 22, 2005 recommending suspension of certificate of registration for a period of one day. Post enquiry SCN issued on August 5, 2005 asking them why action should not be taken against them as recommended by the Enquiry officer. Reply received on 15.9.2005. Further action is in progress.
- 5. Enquiry officer submitted report for the enquiry against Madhuvan Securities Pvt. Ltd. on August 11, 2005 recommending suspension of certificate of registration for a period of one month. Post enquiry SCN issued on August 18, 2005 asking them why action should not be taken against them as recommended by the Enquiry Officer.Reply received on October 5, 2005 in response to post-enquiry show cause notice issued to them. Further action is in progress.
- Enquiry officer submitted report of the enquiry against Prerak Capital on August 23, 2005 recommending suspension of certificate of regis-tration for a period of five days. Post enquiry SCN issued on August 31, 2005 asking them why action should not be taken against them as recommended by the Enquiry officer. Reply received on 30.9.2005. Further action is in progress.

Against Ketan Parekh Group

- Based on the findings of investigations in the case of HFCL, Zee Telefilms Ltd, Adani Exports Ltd. and Global Tele-Systems Ltd. a consolidated show-cause notice dated January 31, 2005 has been issued to Shri Ketan Parekh, Shri Kartik Parekh and 9 entities connected with them viz. Panther Fincap & Management Services Ltd., Classic Credit Ltd., Panther Investrade Ltd., Classic Infin Ltd., Saimangal Investrade Ltd., Chitrakut Computers Pvt. Ltd., Luminant Investments Pvt. Ltd., Goldfish Computers Pvt. Ltd. and Nakshatra Software Pvt. Ltd. Reply for their trading in the scrip of Adani Exports Ltd. was received on September 19, 2005. Further action is in progress.
- Supplementary show cause notice was issued on September 28, 2005 to three KP entities viz. Classic Credit Ltd., Panther Fincap & Management Services Ltd. and M/s Chitrakut Computers Private Limited (CCPL) on the basis of findings of Investigation in the scrip of SAB TV Ltd. Reply received on October 21, 2005. Further action is in progress.

Himachal Futuristic Communications Ltd. (HFCL)

Common enquiry had been initiated against Omega Equities for trading in the scrip of HFCL, Adani Exports Ltd. and Global Tele Ltd. Enquiry officer submitted the report on August 24, 2005 recommending no penalty.

Common enquiry had been initiated against the broker Mangal Keshav Shares and Stock Brokers Ltd. for trading in the scrip of HFCL, Zee Telefilms and Global Tele Ltd. Enquiry officer submitted the report on August 16, 2005 recommending no penalty.

Common enquiry had been initiated against Hem Securities for trading in scrip of HFCL, Adani Exports Ltd. and Global Tele Ltd. On their request, inspection of documents was provided to them on October 19, 2005. Further action is in progress.

Enquiry had been initiated against Indsec Securities & Finance Ltd. for trading in the scrip of HFCL. Enquiry officer submitted the report on 30.11.05 recommending no penalty.

Against Ketan Parekh Group

Supplementary show cause notice was issued on September 28, 2005 to three KP entities viz. Classic Credit Ltd., Panther Fincap & Management Services Ltd. and M/s Chitrakut Computers Private Limited (CCP) on the basis of findings of Investigation in the scrip of SAB TV Ltd. Reply received on October 21, 2005. Further action is in progress.

Show cause notice was issued to Triumph International Finance India Limited (TIFIL) on September 28, 2005 on the basis of findings of investigation in the scrip of SAB TV Ltd. Their reply is awaited.

Cyberspace Ltd.

Enquiry Officer has submitted the report in case of M/s Mangala Capital. Post-enquiry show cause notice has been issued to M/s Mangala Capital on August 17, 2005. Further details sought by M/s Mangla have been furnished to them on August 31, 2005. Pursuant to the enquiry proceedings, the final orders are in the process of being passed after hearing the party (hearing is scheduled on November 29, 2005). Minor penalty of Censure has been recommended by the Enquiry Officer.

- 2. Pre-enquiry show cause notice has been issued to M/s Renaissance Securities Ltd. on August 03, 2005. The Enquiry Officer has submitted the report, recommending a minor penalty of Censure which has been approved. Postenquiry SCN was issued to M/s Renaissance Securities Ltd. and the reply to the same has been received. Final order was passed on October 25, 2005 imposing a minor penalty of Censure, after hearing the party on October 24, 2005. Final order in the matter of Shri Rakesh Mehta, the then Director of M/s Renaissance Securities Ltd. was passed on October 25, 2005 revoking the earlier interim order dated November 29, 2002 restricting Shri Mehta from accessing the capital market and dealing in securities, after hearing the party on October 24, 2005.
- 3. Warning letters have been issued to 4 broking entities viz. Kantilal Mangaldas Securities Pvt. Ltd., NCJ Share and Stock Brokers Ltd., FMS Securities Ltd. and Motilal Oswal Securities Ltd. on August 26, 2005.
- 4. Warning letters have been issued to the following 10 broking entities in terms of the approved actions in the case, details of which are given below and in case of other two entities, these are in the process of beig issued:

SI.	Name of broker Da	ate of warning
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1.	Kantilal Mangaldas	
	Securities Pvt. Ltd.	26.08.05
2.	NCJ Share & Stock	
	Brokers Ltd.	26.08.05
3.	FMS Securities Ltd.	26.08.05
4.	Motilal Oswal	
	Securities Ltd.	26.08.05
5.	Bhupendra Meghji Bhe	da 29.09.05
6.	Subhkam Securities	
	Pvt. Ltd.	06.10.05
7.	Prakash K. Shah Shar	es
	and Securities Pvt.Ltd.	29.09.05
8.	Kirtikumar Fulchand Vo	ora 29.09.05
9.	S.P. Mantri	06.10.05
10.	Alliance Finstock Ltd.	06.10.05

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2. 4.44 The various acts of omission and commission having been clearly established, the Committee urge that the Government should take all necessary steps to finalize proceedings against Ketan Parekh entities and to ensure that suitable action is taken against them without delay. The Committee also urge that expeditious action should be taken to ascertain the facts regarding the Swiss bank account of Shri Ketan Parekh and to follow up the matter.

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SEBI has indicated that the action taken by SEBI against Ketan Parekh entities for involvement in price manipulation of certain scrips, inter-alia, include debarring Ketan Parekh and all entities connected with him from undertaking any fresh business as stock broker/merchant banker and cancellation of the certificate of registration of Triumph International Finance (I) Ltd., one of the broking entities of Ketan Parekh.

Prosecution proceedings against Ketan Parekh entities are being initiated for the violation of securities laws.

CBI have intimated that the chargesheet in the case relating to Bank of India has already been filed in the competent court. Regarding Madhavpura Mercantile Cooperative bank, investigation is at an advanced stage and is lkely to be finalized shortly. Regarding Swiss Bank accounts of Ketan Parekh, the Swiss authorities had intimated in December, 2002 that the Letter Rogatory sent in this matter cannot be executed because of the directions of the High Court at Zurich.

Enforcement Directorate have intimated that certain OCB's which SEBI has designated as KP entities, have already been charged for offences under FERA/FEMA through issue of SCN, as, has been pointed out in the JPC report. The Adjudicating Authority has been advised to expedite the proceedings.

As reported in December 2003

Enforcement Directorate has issued Show Cause Notices for contraventions of the provisions of FERA/FEMA to the following OCB's designated by SEBI as KP entities: -

- 1. Global Trust Bank, the custodian in all the cases.
- 2. Brentfield Holdings Ltd (BHL)
- 3. Europian Investments Ltd., (EIL)
- 4. Wakefield Holdings Ltd. (WHL)
- 5. Far East Investment Corp. Ltd (FIL)
- 6. Kensington Investments Ltd. (KIL)

In all these cases, the matter is now at the adjudication stage. The Adjudicating Authority has been advised to expedite the proceedings.

In additions, a fresh reference was received by the Enforcement Directorate from the RBI dated 9.01.03 regarding the affairs of U.K. subsidiary of Triumph International Finance India Ltd.

Out of pending 4 Show Cause Notices issued under FERA to OCBs and power of attorney holders, 2 Show Cause Notices issued to M/s Brentfield Holdings Ltd.; Wakefield Holdings Ltd., Global Trust Bank Ltd. and others have been adjudicated imposing a total penalty of Rs. 30 lacs in one case and in other case charges were dropped. Adjudication proceedings in remaining 2 Show Cause Notices issued under FERA to OCBs and power of attorney holders are at an advance stage.

Besides, case against M/s Greenfiled Investment Ltd. and others has also been adjudicated and total penalty of Rs. 327 crores has been imposed.

designated by SEBI as a KP entity. Investigation by the Directorate of Enforcement has so far revealed that the company and its Directors Shri Jatian Sarviya and Shri Ketan Parekh appear to have violated the provisions of Section 3(a) r/w Section 2(v)(iv) of FEMA r/w Regulation 3 of Foreign Exchange Mangement (Transfer or Issue of any Foreign Security Regulations 2000) by divesting the holding of their Mauritius Subsidiary International Holdings (Triumph) Ltd. in the UK subsidiary, for a total consideration of US\$ 7,25,000/- without the approval of the RBI. The investigation is being pursued.

With regard to completion of the investigation by Income Tax Department in Ketan Parekh Group of cases in which a search was conducted by the Department in March 2001, investigation/assessment proceedings have been completed in October 2003 and undisclosed income has been assessed at Rs.1,993.26 crore raising the tax demand of Rs.1365.37 crore.

As regards Madhavpura Mercantile Cooperative Bank Ltd. case, investigation in India has been completed and order of Head Office of CBI on the investigation report since been communicated to the branch. Charge sheet in the case would be filed shortly.

As reported in June, 2004

The chargesheet in the case relating to complaint of Bank of India has already been filed in the competent court. As regards Madhavpura Mercantile Cooperative Bank Ltd. case, investigation in India has been completed and Charge sheet in the case has been filed in the court of Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Ahmedabad on 1.12.2003.

Enforcement Directorate has informed that out of 6 Show Cause Notices (SCNs) issued to these companies, two SCNs have been adjudicated. As a result of Adjudication penalty has been imposed in one SCN. In the other case, charge was not established.

As regards finalisation of proceedings by the Income Tax Department against Ketan Parekh, the position has been explained in reply to para No.4.42.

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The omissions and commissions which have been established are mainly relating to banking regulation and share market regulations. The tax implications of the transactions were examined during the block assessments and the regular assessments.

After making investigations, block assessments have since been finalized. Assessments have been finalized on discrepancies found in the accounts wherein substantial additions of undisclosed income have been made after getting the accounts audited u/s 142 (2A). The Appellate Authority has also upheld substantial addition of undisclosed income computed by the Assessing Officer.

In addition, other scrutiny assessments were also completed in September, 2003 after getting the accounts audited u/s 142 (2A). Further, some assessments were also completed in March, 2004. First appeals for the cases completed in September, 2003 have been disposed off in March, 2004.

The details of Swiss Bank Account of Sh. Ketan Parekh were called for from the CBI. The Additional Director, CBI, New Delhi informed Member (Inv.), CBDT, New Delhi vide his D.O. No.1420/4/39/2001-BSFC/LO dated 21.5.2003 as under:

"Office of the District Public Prosecutor-IV of Canton Zurich vide letter dated 29.10.2002 through Embassy of India intimated that the High Court of Zurich had granted appeal against the order dated 24.4.2002 of District Public Prosecutor-IV of Zurich, in pursuance of which they could not transfer the details of the account of Firm Elista Ltd., Nassau, Bahamas to India. The office of the Public Prosecutor-IV of Canton Zurich was also directed by the High Court to intimate the Indian authorities that no money of MMCB derived from the illegal accounts of the ten firms in which Mr. K. Parekh has been holding shares has been transferred to the Accounts in question for which the Indian request for legal assistance dated 25.9.2001 was forwarded. It has also been intimated that from the documents examined by the High Court, it has been found that all transfers have been done as certificates before 4.7.2000. Therefore, they have concluded that documents of Elista cannot prove any over due credit aone to MMCB."

In view of this position, the Income Tax Department is not in possession of any material relating to the Swiss account and no addition could be made on this account.

Enforcement Directorate has informed that on completion of investigation a Show Cause Notice has been issued on 03.9.2004 to M/s Triumph International Finance (India) Ltd. and others.

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CBDT have informed that the CCIT(Central-I), Mumbai had been requested to expedite the ten cases which are pending before CIT(A) in which an amount of Rs. 938.29 lakhs is disputed. The Income Tax Department has also requested the ITAT to take up the pending cases on priority. It has also been reported that there has not been any significant progress in the collection of outstanding tax arrears due to following reasons:

- Shri Ketan Parekh is a notified person under Section 3(1) of the Special Court Act, 1992. Recovery of taxes from him can only be through the Special Court.
- Ketan Parekh and his eight concerns have been barred by SEBI from trading for 14 years. Besides, the SEBI has cancelled the registration of his main concerns.
- The Debt Recovery Tribunal has initiated proceedings in respect of some of the individuals and 6 major concerns of the group. Recovery of taxes from such concerns is subject to proceedings before the Debt Recovery Tribunal.
- The claim of the Department has been rejected by the DRT. On the recommendations of Ministry of Law & Justice, the Department is considering filing Writ Petition against the order the DRAT.
- Shri Ketan Parekh & Shri Navinchandra Parekh are both notified persons. Even though only these two persons have been notified under the Special Court (TORTS) Act, 1992, the Custodian, however, is objecting to recovery from other entities wherein Shri Ketan Parekh or Navinchandra Parekh have any interest or connection.
- Some of the sundry debtors have been summoned and examined. As per the details filed before the Tax Recovery Officer (TRO), the accounts were settled long back. Therefore, there is no possibility of recovery from these sundry debtors. However, summons have been issued in some more cases for further examination.
- An amount of Rs. 938.29 lakh is disputed before the CIT

 (A) and an amount of Rs. 75394.42 lakh is disputed before the ITAT. Cash collection of Rs. 1447 lakh is on account of refund adjustment. The Hon'ble ITAT and CIT (A) have been requested to take up hearings of the pending appeals on priority basis.

Regarding Swiss Bank Account of Shri Ketan Parekh, the CBDT have now informed that they have no further records or

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information about the same; hence they are not in possession of any adverse evidence to warrant making addition in the computation of income.

In view of above, action from the CBDT on this para may be treated as **complete.**

Enforcement Directorate have informed that the investigation in this matter has already been completed and Show Cause Notices have been issued. Their position is as under:

SCN issued
 Total Adjudicated
 Cases pending adjudication
 4

As regards the remaining 4 cases pending adjudications, the adjudicating officers have been advised to expedite the adjudication proceedings.

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Out of 6 Show Cause Notices, 2 Show Cause Notices under Foreign Exchange Management Act have been adjudicated. In one of the Show Cause Notices, charges were dropped and in other Show Cause Notice total penalties of Rs.1.60 crores were imposed.

In addition to above, 2 more Show Cause Notices under FEMA were issued. Show Cause Notices issued to TIFL and its Directors including Ketan Parekh have been adjudicated imposing total penalty of Rs.1.40 crores. The other Show Cause Notice issued to M/s Greenfield Investment Ltd. is pending adjudication.

The Committee note that the three broking groups belonging to Shri D.K. Singhania, Shri A.K. Poddar and Shri H.C. Biyani were primarily responsible for the payment problem in March 2001 in CSE. Their default in pay-in obligations in three settlements in March -2001 was about Rs.107 crore. D.K Singhania Group and A.K. Poddar Group along with Sanjay Khemani Group received over a period a sum of Rs. 3191 crore from Ketan Parekh entities for taking deliveries on behalf of the

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Pursuant to investigations against Singhania Group, Poddar Group, Biyani Group and Khemani groups, SEBI has filed prosecutions as follows:

The hearing in respect of writ petitions filed by accused Dinesh Dalmia for quashing FIR of both cases have been concluded and on 17.01.2006, the Hon'ble High Court, Calcutta rejected the prayer for quashing of FIR and deletion of name of accused Dinesh Dalmia from the FIRs with the observation that there are sufficient material in the case dairy to proceed with the investigation.

Dinesh Dalmia was arrested by CBI on 12.2.06 in Delhi. He was remanded to

No	. Name of the Case	Filed against	Case No.	Filed at	Date of filing
1.	SEBI vs. Smt Prema Poddar	Prema Poddar	4910/02	Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Kolkata	November 30, 2002.
2.	SEBI vs. Tripoli Consultancy	Tripoli Consultancy Services Pvt. Ltd.,	4908/02	Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Kolkata	November 30, 2002.
	Services Pvt. Ltd.	Shri B P Singhania,			
		Shri Pravin Kumar Agarwal			
3.	SEBI vs. Shri Ashok Kumar Poddar	Shri Ashok Kumar Poddar	4909/02	Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Kolkata	November 30, 2002.
4.	SEBI vs. Shri Raj Kumar Poddar	Shri Raj Kumar Poddar	4911/02	Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Kolkata	November 30, 2002.
5.	SEBI vs. Shri Ratanlal Poddar	Shri Ratanlal Poddar	4912/02	Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Kolkata	November 30, 2002.
6.	SEBI vs. Doe Jones Investments and Consultants Pvt. Ltd.	Doe Jones Investments and Consultants Pvt. Ltd., Shri Raj Kr. Patni,	4913/02	Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Kolkata	November 30, 2002.
		Shri Raj Kr. Jain,			
		Shri Gopal Singhania			
7.	SEBI vs. Biyani Securities Pvt. Ltd	Biyani Securities Pvt. Ltd.,	4914/02	Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Kolkata	November 30, 2002.
		Shri Aloke Biyani,			
		Shri Ravindra Biyani			
8.	SEBI vs. Arihant Exim Scrip	Arihant Exim Scrip Pvt. Ltd.,	4915/02	Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Kolkata	November 30, 2002.
	Pvt. Ltd.	Shri Basudeo Singhania,		-	
		Shri Sanjay Kr. Jain			
9.	SEBI vs. Shri Dinesh Kr. Singhania	Shri Dinesh Kr. Singhania	4916/02	Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Kolkata	November 30, 2002.
10.	SEBI vs. Shri Harish Chandra Biyani	Shri Harish Chandra Biyani	4917/02	Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Kolkata	November 30, 2002.
11.	SEBI vs Sanjay Khemani	Shri Sanjay Khemani	C/1429/03	Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Kolkata	March 27, 2003
12.	SEBI vs Sanjay Khemani	Shri Sanjay Khemani	C/1429/03	Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Kolkata	March 27, 2003
13.	SEBI vs. N. Khemani	Shri N. Khemani	C/1428/03	Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Kolkata	March 27, 2003

- Registration of the following stock broking entities of CSE has been cancelled by SEBI under Stock Brokers Regulations:
 - 1. Dinesh Kumar Singhania & Co.
 - 2. Doe Jones Investments & Consultants P Ltd.
 - 3. Arihant Exim Scrip P. Ltd.
 - 4. Tripoli Consultancy Services Pvt. Ltd.
 - 5. Biyani Securities P. Ltd.
 - 6. Harish Chandra Biyani
 - 7. Raj Kumar Poddar
 - 8. Ratan Lal Poddar
 - 9. Ashok Kumar Poddar
 - 10. Prema Poddar
- SEBI vide order dated October 18, 2002 issued under Section 11 and 11B of the SEBI Act, 1992 debarred following persons from associating with securities market activities and dealing in securities till the completion of investigation proceedings against Shri Ketan Parekh and some entities associated with him. During the period, they have been directed not to buy, sell or deal in the securities market directly or indirectly.
 - 1. Shri Ashok Kumar Poddar
 - 2. Mrs. Prema Poddar
 - 3. Shri Raj Kumar Poddar

- 4. Shri Ratan Lal Poddar
- 5. Shri Dinesh Kumar Singhania
- 6. Doe Jones Investments & Consultants Pvt. Ltd.
- 7. Shri Raj Kumar Patni alias Raj Kumar Jain, Director, Doe Jones Investments & Consultants Pvt. Ltd.
- 8. Shri Gopal Singhania alias Gopal Krishna Singhania, Director, Doe Jones Investments & Consultants Pvt. Ltd.
- 9. Arihant Exim Scrip Pvt. Ltd.
- 10. Shri Basudeo Singhania, Director, Arihant Exim Scrip Pvt. Ltd.
- 11. Shri Sanjay Kumar Jain, Director, Arihant Exim Scrip Pvt. Ltd.
- 12. Tripoli Consultancy Services Pvt. Ltd.
- 13. Shri Bhagwati Prasad Singhania, Director, Tripoli Consultancy Services Pvt. Ltd.
- 14. Shri Praveen Kumar Agarwal ,Director, Tripoli Consultancy Services Pvt. Ltd.
- 15. Biyani Securities Pvt. Ltd.
- 16. Shri Aloke Biyani, Director, Biyani Securities Pvt. Ltd.
- 17. Shri Ravindra Biyani, Director, Biyani Securities Pvt. Ltd.
- 18. Shri Harish Chandra Biyani

As advised by SEBI, CSE has also filed FIR against Singhania Group, Poddar Group and Biyani Group of brokers with Kolkata Police Authorities (Case Ref. - Hare Street P.S./DD Case no. 476 dated 24.09.2002 U/s 120B/420/409/467 /468 /471/477A IPC).

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latter and had close linkages with Shri Ketan
Parekh. The Committee find that these
broker groups exploited the weaknesses in
the working of Calcutta Stock Exchange as
discussed in another section of this Report
and built large concentrated position in a
few scrips in violation of exposure limits.
The brokers' plea of ignorance about the
defects in the CSE margin system is not
convincing. The Committee urge that the
civil and criminal proceedings initiated
against the defaulted brokers should be
expeditiously completed and the guilty
punished at the earliest.

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Investigation of Kolkatta Police is in progress.

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- Sanjay Khemani's certificate of registration has been suspended for a period of two years vide SEBI Order dated February 26, 2004.
- N. Khemani's certificate of registration has been suspended for a period of fourteen months vide SEBI Order dated February 26, 2004.
- Investigation of Kolkata Police are in progress.

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SEBI is following up with Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Kolkata for early disposal of prosecution proceedings filed against the 21 persons of Singhania Group, Poddar Group, Biyani Group and Khemani group of brokers.

The registration of two brokers namely, Man Mohan Damani and Shree Harivansha Securities Pvt. Ltd. has been suspended for six months for their large scale off-market transaction with three defaulter brokers and with Khemani Group vide order dated July 2, 2004 and March 12, 2004 respectively.

police custody for 14 days. After obtaining permission from the Court, Polygraphy, Brain Mapping and Narco Analysis Test were conducted on him between 7.3.06 to 9.3.06 at SFSL, Bangalore. Further investigation is in progress. He is presently in judicial custody.

Action against the following broker has been taken by SEBI who had done large scale off-market transaction with three defaulter brokers and with Khemani Group:

Name of Broker	SEBI	Suspension	
	Order Date	period	
Amitabh Sonthalia	21.07.2004	4 Months	

Kolkatta Police have informed that different officials of SEBI, Banks, ROC, Stock Exchanges, Auditors, officials of CMC Ltd. etc. are being examined with reference to the revelations of various facts, documents and reports. Further follow up actions are being made to complete the investigation at the earliest. The fund flow and its end use among the entities are being verified. A Red Corned Notice has been issued against Shri Dinesh Dalmia of DSQ Software Ltd. & others who are still absconding.

As reported in July, 2005

Kolkata Police have informed that the investigation made so far has prima-facie proved the allegation of criminal conspiracy and cheating against all the brokering entities connected with Ketan Parekh & Dinesh Dalmia. In all 21 accused persons have been arrested. Although Dinesh Dalmia, one of the key-players behind the fraud perpetrated by the Biyani Group could not be arrested as yet. Some of the accused persons are still absconding. The aspect regarding violation of exposure limits and thereby building up of large concentration position in a few scrips is being further investigated to ascertain how gross exposure margin could remain faulty in the computer system maintained by CMC for a long time.

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Kolkatta Police have informed that the investigation is in progress. Further, in the interest of this case and justice, the Learned Court was pleased to extend the period of investigation. Some important points including arrest of absconding accused persons and recovery of incriminating documents from them are being looked into. The process of examination of witnesses and seizure of material documents/exhibits is being continued. In the meantime, the Hon'ble High Court at Calcutta has rejected the applications

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for revocation of Red Corner Notice issued against accused Dinesh Dalmia. The writ appeal filed by accused Dinesh Dalmia against such rejection is pending before the Division Bench of the Hon'ble High Court at Calcutta. The hearing in respect of Writ Petitions filed by accused Dinesh Dalmia for quashing the FIR of both the cases has since been concluded before the Hon'ble High Court at Calcutta and judgement thereto is awaited.

4. Shri H.C. Biyani had deposited 10 lakh shares of DSQ Software Ltd. as security towards his pay-in dues to CSE on 21.3.2001. It transpired during the Committee's examination that Shri Biyani did not have ownership of those shares when he deposited them and could not have transferred the shares to CSE. It was a fraud on CSE by Shri Biyani CSE has reportedly filed an FIR against Shri Biyani and Biyani Securities in this regard. The Committee expect that the matter be investigated and on the basis of outcome thereof, appropriate criminal proceedings will be initiated.

As reported in May, 2003

SEBI have informed that Biyani Securities Pvt. Ltd., had tendered 10,00,000 shares of DSQ Software to CSE for meeting its pay-in obligations. It was stated by the broker in correspondence to the CSE that these shares were obtained from one of its clients against the dues of the clients towards the broker. However, later, broker changed his version in investigation before SEBI and said that the entity from whom these shares were obtained did not act as client and was merely an entity of a friend who wanted to help it tide over payment difficulties. However, this was contradicted by the stated friend. Accordingly, criminal proceedings were initiated against Biyani Group by CSE with Detective Department, Kolkata Police vide case Ref. - Hare Street P.S./DD Case no. 476 on 24.09.2002 u/s 120B/420/409 /467/468/471 /477A of IPC. Kolkatta Police have informed that investigation is in progress.

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Investigation of Kolkatta police is in progress.

As reported in June, 2004

Investigations of Kolkatta Police are in progress.

As reported in December, 2004

The matter of deposit of ten lacs shares of DSQ Software Ltd. by Shri Harish Chandra Biyani and Biyani Securities Ltd. is under investigation by Kolkata Police. One of the FIR named accused in this case Dinesh Dalmia - promoter of DSQ Group of companies, a proclaimed offender and others who had played role into this matter are still absconding.

Alok Biyani, Director of M/s Biyani Securities Pvt. Ltd. and defaulter broker of the Calcutta Stock Exchange, who evaded

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police arrest since long, was arrested while he was about to leave the country through Netaji Subash Chandra Bose International Airport, Kolkatta. Investigation revealed that Alok Biyani had dishonestly and frequently deposited 10 lakhs shares of DSQ Software as security towards his pay-in dues in CSE on 21.3.2001 with some ulterior motive. These fake shares were shown have been allotted in the names of some bogus companies. He has been produced before the Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Kolkatta on 1.9.2004 and remanded to police custody for fifteen days. Investigations on different aspects are being made.

SEBI has informed that the registration of two brokers namely, Man Mohan Damani and Shree Harivansha Securities Pvt. Ltd. has been suspended for six months for their large scale off-market transaction with three defaulter brokers and with Khemani Group vide order dated July 2, 2004 and March 12, 2004 respectively. Action against the following broker has been taken by SEBI who had done large scale off-market transaction with three defaulter brokers and with Khemani Group:

Name of Broker	SEBI	Suspension
	Order Date	period
Amitabh Sonthalia	21.07.2004	4 Months

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Kolkatta Police have informed that it has been established during investigation that 10 lakh fictitious shares of DSQ Software Limited was deposited with the CSE for adjustment of the pay-in obligation of M/s Biyani Securities Pvt. Ltd. and Mr. Harish Chandra Biyani, who had various transactions with the associate companies/entities of DSQ Software Limited. These fake shares, which are the vital exhibits of this case, are yet to be recovered from the absconding accused Dinesh Dalmia and his associates for which their custodial interrogation is required. The 'Red Corner Notice' has already been issued against the said accused Dinesh Dalmia for his apprehension and extradition abroad. The investigation on this part will be completed as soon as the said accused Dinesh Dalmia and his associate accused persons are apprehended for their custodial interrogation in the interest of recovery of the material exhibits and collection of other evidences.

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CSFB proprietary account aided and abetted Ketan Parekh entities

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5 .	4.117	Observation/Recommendation of JPC SEBI has not so far provided conculsive evidence to substantiate its conclusions in regard to the brokers/groups mentioned in Section 3 above. Accordingly, the Committee recommend further investigations in this regard.	As reported in May, 2003 SEBI have informed the following action taken by it. A. First Global Group Based on investigation findings in the case of First Global Group, an enquiry was conducted against First Global Stock Broking Pvt. Ltd. (FGSB) and Vruddi Confinvest India Pvt. Ltd. (VCIP). The Enquiry Officer, vide report dated January 09, 2002, recommended cancellation of registration as Stock Broker and Portfolio Manager and cancellation of registration as Sub-broker, granted earlier to FGSB and VCIP. The Board, in pursuance of the directions of the Hon'ble High Court of Bombay and in exercise of the powers conferred by section 4(2) of SEBI Act, 1992 read with Regulation 13 of SEBI (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair trade practices relating to securities market) Regulations, 1995 read with Regulation 29(3) of SEBI (Stock Brokers and sub-brokers) Regulations, 1992, and Regulation 35 (3) of SEBI (Portfolio Managers) Regulations, 1993, cancelled the certificate of Registration granted to FGSB as Stock broker (SEBI Reg. No. INB230722136 and INB010722152) and Portfolio Manager (SEBI Reg. No. INP00000381) and VCIP (SEBI Reg. No. INS010647738/01-07221) as a Sub-broker. Pursuant to Board's order, Prosecution has been filed on January 15, 2003 (vide C. C. no 23/S/ 2003) against FGSB, VCIP, Shri. Shankar Sharma and Ms. Devina Mehra, for violating SEBI (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair trade practices relating to securities market) Regulations, 1995. Further, SEBI has filed for Prosecution against FGSB, VCIP, Virta	Further Progress There is no further development.
			Trade Agencies Pvt. Ltd., First Global Finance Pvt. Ltd., Shri. Shankar Sharma and Ms. Devina Mehra on January 15, 2003 (vide C. C. no 23 A /S/ 2003), for non-compliance to SEBI Summons.	
		B. CSFB Securities: Credit Suisse First Boston (I) Securities Pvt. Ltd. (CSFB Securities) had transacted in a big way on behalf of entities connected associated with Ketan Parekh, certain OCBs		
			namely Wakefield, Brentfield, Kensington, FII sub-account-Kallar Kahar Investment Ltd., Mackertich Consultancy Services Pvt.	
			Ltd. and also on its own account. SEBI's investigation have concluded that CSFB Securities and	

in putting fictitious and non-genuine trades with a view to create misleading appearance of trading. Credit Suisse First Boston also aided, assisted and abetted Ketan Parekh entities in creating artificial volumes and market in certain scrips through circular trades. Shares were being rotated from one entity belonging to Ketan Parekh to other entities belonging to him. There was no change in beneficial ownership. These transactions were put with a view to induce others to purchase and sell the securities. Based on the findings of investigations, SEBI had issued orders against CSFB asking it not to undertake fresh business as a broker and enquiry proceedings were initiated against the broker. Enquiry proceedings have been completed against the broker and SEBI has suspended the certificate of registration of Credit Suisse First Boston (I) Securities Pvt Ltd (CSFB Securities) to act as a stock broker for the period of two years w.e.f. April 18,2001 for aiding, abeting and assisting Ketan Parekh entities in market manipulations.

C.DKB Securities: SEBI's investigation have concluded that Dresdner Kleinwort Benson Securities (India) Ltd., (DKB Securities), a foreign brokerage registered with SEBI aided and abetted Ketan Parekh entities in putting fictitious and non-genuine trades with a view to create misleading appearance of trading and in creating artificial volumes and market in certain scrips through circular trades. Shares were being rotated from one entity belonging to Ketan Parekh to other entities belonging to him. There was no change in beneficial ownership. The transactions were put with a view to induce others to purchase and sell the securities. SEBI conducted enquiry against DKB Securities and Enquiry Officer has recommended suspension of certificate of registration of DKB Securities to act as a stock broker for the period of two years. Show cause notice has been issued.

E. Khemani Group

The investigation of Khemani Group has revealed the violation of the following provisions by Sanjay Khemani and N Khemani:

- Section 19 of Securities Contracts (Regulation) Act, 1956
- Regulation 4 (b) of SEBI (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices relating to Securities Market) Regulations, 1995
- Rule 4 (b) of SEBI (Stock brokers and Sub-brokers) Rules, 1992

 Regulation 7 of SEBI (Stock brokers and Sub-brokers) Regulations, 1992

For the above violations, SEBI vide its Order dated January 21, 2003 issued under Section 11 & 11B SEBI Act, 1992 has debarred Sanjay Khemani and N. Khemani from associating with securities market activities and dealing in securities till the completion of enquiry proceedings against them and the completion of investigation proceedings against Shri Ketan Parekh and some entities associated with him. During the period they are directed not to buy, sell or deal in the securities market directly or indirectly.

H. Bang Group of Entities

In the light of the findings of investigation and after considering the findings of the enquiry officer, in exercise of powers conferred upon under Section 4(3) of SEBI Act, 1992 read with Regulation 29 (3) of SEBI (Stock Brokers and Sub Brokers) Regulations, 1992 read with Regulation 13 of SEBI (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices Relating to Securities Market) Regulations, 1995 SEBI passed an order dated July 30, 2002 cancelling the registration of M/s Nirmal Bang Securities Ltd. (NBS), M/s Bang Equity Broking Pvt. Ltd. (BEB), Bama Securities Ltd. (BSL) - all stock brokers registered with SEBI and Bang Securities Pvt. Ltd. (BS), sub brokers registered with SEBI.

As reported in December 2003

Pursuant to enquiry proceedings initiated against DKB Securities (DKB), an opportunity of hearing before Whole time Member of SEBI was granted to DKB Securities on 28th July, 2003. Final order is being issued.

The enquiry has been completed against Sanjay Khemani and N. Khemani. The brokers through their counsel appeared before the Chairman, SEBI for a personal hearing on October 20, 2003. During the personal hearing, Chairman granted permission to Khemani group's counsel to make further written submissions. Accordingly, the written submission from the Khemani Group's counsel has been received and Chairman's final order in the matter is being issued.

SEBI investigation into the activities of the R.S. Damani Group have been completed. Pursuant to the findings of investigation, enquiry proceedings were initiated against 3 broking entities of M/s R.S. Damani group, namely, Damani Shares & Stock Brokers

Pvt. Ltd., Maheshwari Equity Brokers Pvt. Ltd. and Avenue Stock Brokers (I) Pvt. Ltd. for alleged violations of the provisions of the SEBI (Stock Brokers and Sub-brokers) Regulations, 1992 and the SEBI (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices relating to Securities Market) Regulations, 1995. The enquiry officer has submitted his report and the same is under consideration.

SEBI investigation into the activities of the Shailesh Shah Group have been completed. Pursuant to the findings of investigation, enquiry proceedings were initiated against 4 broking entities of M/s Shailesh Shah group, namely, Shailesh Shah Securities Ltd., Dolat Capital Markets Ltd., Pankaj D Shah and Nirpan Securities Ltd. for alleged violations of the provisions of the SEBI (Stock Brokers and Sub-brokers) Regulations, 1992 and the SEBI (Prohibition of Fraudulent and Unfair Trade Practices relating to Securities Market) Regulations, 1995. Also, adjudication proceedings were initiated against M/s Shailesh Shah Group of companies for alleged contravention of Section 15A of the SEBI Act read with the SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeover) Regulations, 1997. The Enquiry and Adjudication officer has submitted his report and the same is under consideration. Regarding Nirmal Bang Group, the entities filed an appeal before

the SAT against SEBI's order. SAT, vide order dated October 31, 2003 modified SEBI's order dated July 30, 2002, by reducing the penalty of cancellation to suspension of registration of M/s Nirmal Bang Securities Ltd. for two years and in case of Bang Equity Broking Pvt. Ltd. (BEB) and Bama Securities Ltd. (BSL) for three years. The order in case of Bang Securities Pvt. Ltd. (BS) has been set aside. SEBI is considering filing of appeal in Supreme Court against SAT order.

As reported in June, 2004

The matter of issuing directions against the promoter-directors of FGSB and Vruddhi Confinvest India Pvt. Ltd, namely, Shri Shankar Sharma & Smt. Devina Mehra under the provisions of the SEBI Act and the Rules and Regulations made there under has been approved by the Board and is under progress.

C. DKB Securities:

Show cause notice has been issued and hearing has been granted before Whole-Time Member, SEBI. Final Order is being issued.

E. Khemani Group

Enquiry against Sanjay Khemani and N. Khemani, members Calcutta Stock Exchange was completed. Based on the Enquiry Officer's recommendations, Chairman vide Order dated February 26, 2004, suspended the registration of Shri Sanjay Khemani for two years and N. Khemani, for 14 months.

Action against the following 22 brokers has been taken who have done large scale off-market transaction with three defaulter brokers and with the Khemani group:

Name of the	Suspension	SEBI Order
broker	period	Date
1. MEHTA & AJMERA &	One year	04/03/2004
Himanshu Ajmera		
2. VIKASH SOMANI SEC P LTD	6 Months	03/03/2004
3. DEEPAK JHUNJHUNWALA	6 Months	09/02/2004
& CO		
4. MKM SHARE BROKING (S) P LT	D 6 Months	09/02/2004
5. PRADEEP KAYAN & CO	6 Months	09/02/2004
6. DINESH KUMAR MODI & CO	6 Months	17/12/2003
7. SPRAKECHA	6 Months	17/12/2003
8. SHREE KANT PHUMBHRA & CO	0 6 Months	17/12/2003
9. RAMA SECURITIES PVT LTD	6 months	16/12/2003
10. RENU PODDAR	6 Months	15/12/2003
11. SANJEEV B PHUMBRA & CO	6 Months	15/12/2003
12. NAGAR MULL KEJRIWAL	4 months	20/10/2003
13. KANDOI SECURITIES	One year	26/08/2003
PVT LTD		
14. GAUTAMBAJORIA	One year	13/08/2003
15. SHIVAM STOCK BROKING P LT	•	13/08/2003
16. SKC SHARE &ST BR	One year	13/08/2003
SER P LTD		
17. KRISHNA KUMAR DAGA	3 months	12/08/2003
18. VIJAY KR PATNI	4 months	12/08/2003
19. PRAKASH CHAND BAID	4 months	29/07/2003
20. PRAMOD KR DROLIA & CO	4 months	04/07/2003
21. MATHRAN SECURITIES	4 months	29/05/2003
22. LOKNATH SARAF	Case close	
	expired on (
Action against those 22 brokers is	thoroforo c	omploted

Action against these 22 brokers is, therefore, completed.

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A. First Global Group
STATUS OF APPEAL NO. 90/2002 - FIRST GLOBAL STOCK
BROKING PVT. LTD. Vs. SEBI - PENDING BEFORE HON'BLE
SECURITIES APPELLATE TRIBUNAL, MUMBAI.

The order of SEBI dated 12.09.02 was challenged before the Hon'ble Securities Appellate Tribunal and the Hon'ble Tribunal vide its ad-interim order dated 29.10.02 stayed the operation of the said impugned order subject to the condition that the appellants shall not carry on any business as stock brokers, portfolio manager and sub broker and the same was extended till the final disposal of the appeal by the Tribunal vide its order dated 06.03.03. The appellant had filed a detailed compilation of documents on 31.08.04. The said appeal was taken up for hearing on 02.09.04 and the counsel for the respondent sought a short adjournment for the purpose of perusing the compilation of documents filed by the appellant, which was opposed by the counsel for the appellant. Finally, the Hon'ble Tribunal was pleased to grant a short adjournment and posted the matter on 09.09.04 for hearing. On 09.09.04, Shri Justice Kumar Rajaratnam, Presiding Officer and Shri B. Samal, Member were only present and the other member Shri N.L Lakhanpal was not present. In view of the above, the Hon'ble Tribunal observed that the matter be heard by the full bench. Accordingly, the matter was adjourned to 11.10.04 for hearing. The matter was heard on 11.10.04. During the hearing, the appellant had raised a preliminary issue viz. that the impugned order was not passed within the specified time limit. In view of this, SAT desired to hear and decide the preliminary issue and thereafter proceed to hear the matter on merits. On account of this, the matter was adjourned to 19.10.04, when the preliminary issues were argued and as it remained part heard then, the matter was fixed for further hearing on 21.10.04. The matter remained part heard on 21.10.04. The oral hearing on the preliminary issue of limitation was concluded on 11.11.2004 and the SAT asked both the parties to file written submissions, which was done by SEBI on 22.11.2004. SAT has reserved its orders in the case. STATUS OF W.P. (LODG) No.845 OF 2004 - SHANKAR SHARMA AND ANOTHER Vs. SEBI - PENDING BEFORE THE

HON'BLE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY.

A Show Cause Notice dated 09.03.2004 u/s 11B of the SEBI Act, 1992 was issued to individuals Shri Shankar Sharma and Smt. Devina Mehra. A writ petition was filed challenging the said Show Cause Notice in the Hon'ble High Court of Bombay. The Hon'ble Court vide its order dated 27.04.2004 held that SEBI's -Counsel viz Shri Goolam Vhanavati's (the Learned Advocate General) statement that SEBI would not proceed further till the matter is decided by the court would continue till further orders and adjourned the matter to 23.08.2004. However, the matter came up before Hon'ble High Court on 31.08.2004 and the advocate appearing on behalf of the petitioners sought for an adjournment as their appeal before the Hon'ble Securities Appellate Tribunal is fixed for final hearing on 02.09.2004. The matter now stands adjourned to 26.11.2004.

E. Khemani Group

Action against the following brokers has been taken who had done large scale off-market transaction with three defaulter brokers and with Khemani Group

Name of Broker	SEBI Order Date	Suspension period
Amitabh Sonthalia	21.07.2004	4 Months

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A. First Global Group

STATUS OF APPEAL NO. 90/2002 – FIRST GLOBAL STOCK BROKING PVT LTD VS. SEBI – PENDING BEFORE HON'BLE SECURITIES APPELLATE TRIBUNAL, MUMBAI.

The final order of SAT in this matter was pronounced on 03.12.04. By this order, SAT has set aside the order of SEBI dated 12.09.02 cancelling the appellants certificate of registration, on the ground that the order was not passed within a period of 30 days of receiving the reply to the show cause notice issued by SEBI as required under the then Regulation 29 (3) of SEBI (Stock Broker and sub-broker) Regulations, 1992.

SEBI has decided not to file an appeal before the Supreme Court against the order of the SAT.

STATUS OF W.P (LODG) NO. 845 OF 2004 – SHANKAR SHARMA AND ANOTHER VS. SEBI – PENDING BEFORE THE HON'BLE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY

The matter was heard by Hon'ble Securities Appellate Tribunal on 11.10.04. During the hearing, the appellant had raised a preliminary issue viz. that the impugned order was not passed within the specified time limit. In view of this, SAT desired to hear and decide the preliminary issue and thereafter proceed to hear the matter on merits. SAT has passed its final order on 3.12.04 setting aside the order of SEBI dated 12.09.02 cancelling the appellant's certificate of registration, on the ground that the order was not passed within a period of 30 days of receiving the reply of the show cause notice issued by SEBI as required under the then Regulation 29(3) of SEBI (Stock Brokers and Sub Brokers) Regulations, 1992.

The matter came up before the Hon'ble High Court of Bombay on 06.05.05 and has been posted for hearing once the Hon'ble High Court reconvenes after vacation.

As reported in December, 2005

No change in the status.

6. 5.64 The Committee were informed that a criminal complaint was lodged by the RBI in the court of Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Ahmedabad against the MMCB, its Chairman and Managing Director on 14.3.2001 under section 46 of the Banking Regulation Act 1949, read with section 58(B) of the Reserve Bank of India Act. 1934, for having made false statements to RBI with respect to call money borrowing and also failing to meet its assurance for submitting the required information. A criminal complaint had also been lodged by the Administrator of MMCB Ltd. with Madhavpura Police Station, Ahmedabad on 21.4,2001, Later. in terms of the order of the High Court of Gujarat, Ahmedabad dated 2.5.2001, CBI

As reported in May, 2003

The criminal complaint lodged by the Administrator of MMCB on 21.4.2001 with Madhavpura Police Station, Ahmedabad, was registered as CR No.67 of 2001 and the same has since been transferred to the CBI, BS&FC, Mumbai in its RC.4(E)/2001-CBI-BS&FC Mumbai on 18.5.2001 vide orders dated 2.5.2001 of the High Court of Gujarat, Ahmedabad. The chargesheet filed on 1.6.2001 against Sh. Ketan Parekh and Others relates to RC.3/E/2001-BSFC/MUM registered on 30.3.2001 by CBI BSFC Mumbai and the same is pending trial in the Hon'ble Court of CMM Mumbai as CC No.60/P/2001. The draft charges have been submitted by the prosecution to the court. The CBI has appointed an exculsive special counsel to conduct the trial of this case and all efforts are being made by it with the court to expedite the trial.

As reported in December 2003

As against para 5.59

No change in the status.

has been directed to investigate the deeds/misdeeds of the ex-Chairman and Managing Director and other officials involved in the mismanagement of the Bank. In pursuance of court orders, the case was transferred to CBI, Mumbai, and an FIR has been registered with Special Police Establishment, Mumbai Branch on 18.5.2001. On 1.6.2001, charge sheet in the case has been filed against Ketan.V.Parekh, Kartik.K. Parekh, Ramesh Parekh, Chairman, MMCB. Devendra B. Pandva. Managing Director, MMCB and Jagdish.B.Pandya, Branch Manager u/s 120-B,420,467,468 and 471 of IPC. The case is stated to be pending in the Court of the Chief Metropolitan Megistrate, Mumbai, The Committee desire that these cases be decided expeditiously.

As reported in June, 2004

In RC.4/E/2001-BSFC/MUM i.e. the MMCB case charge sheet has been filed in the court of CMM Ahemdabad on 1.12.2003. With the permission of the Govt. of India, LRs to Mauritius and UK issued by the Court have been forwarded to the Legal Cell MHA on 17.12.2003 for onwards transmission to Competent Authorities in these countries. In the light of outcome thereof follow up action in the matter would be taken. In RC.3/E/2001-BSFC/MUM i.e. Bank of India case charge-sheet was filed in the court of CMM Mumbai on 1.6.2001, and the case is still at the stage of framing of charges.

As reported in December, 2004

In RC.4/E/2001-BSFC/MUM i.e. the MMCB case, the CBI has informed that the Assistant Director Interpol has reminded PRO (EXT), MEA, New Delhi on 5.10.2004 to ascertain the present position from concerned authorities of Mauritius. As regards the queries raised by the UK Serious Fraud Office vide their fax dated 16.4.2004 and 31.4.2004 regarding the Letter Rogatory sent to UK, the matter has been examined in CBI. As per the information available with the CBI, the defrauded amounts connected with this case have been received in the account of M/s Almel Investment Ltd., account being maintained with the Nat-West Bank, PLC, London. Interpol Wing of CBI was requested to inform the authorities at UK accordingly and to collect the documents and examine the witnesses as requested vide Letter Rogatory since the Hon'ble CMM, Ahmedabad has already given his authorization.

In RC.3/E/2001-BSFC/MUM i.e. Bank of India case, charge-sheet was filed in the court of CMM Mumbai on 1.6.2001.

As reported in July, 2005

CBI has informed that Letter Rogatory (LR) to Mauritius the examination of witnesses was to take place on 7.6.2005 at Port Louis before His Honour the Master and Registrar of Supreme Court, Port Louis, Mauritius. Subsequently, the Mauritius Authorities through the Indian High Commission, vide their communication dated 2.6.05 have intimated that the examination has now been postponed to 21.10.2005. It is proposed to depute Supdt. of Police, CBI, BS&FC, Branch Mumbai to be present at the time of examination of witnesses.

As regards the Letter Rogatory to the UK, there is no change in the status.

As reported in December, 2005

The High Commission of India, Port Louis, Mauritius vide fax message No. OR/438/2/99-92 dt. 14.10.2005 informed that the date of examination of witness scheduled for 21st October, 2005 before their Master and Registrar, Supreme Court has now been fixed to 17th Feb., 2006 upon the request of the counsel of the witness.

As regards the Letter Rogatory to the UK, the UK Serious Fraud Office had raised certain querries which have been replied by CBI. Further, the Interpol, India has issued a reminder to Ministry of External Affairs on 6.9.2005 to intimate the present status of LR.

7. 5.109 The Committee regret to note that the City Cooperative Bank flouted all prudential norms of the RBI. This became clear during the investigation conducted by the RBI. The Bank had no investment policy, loan disbursement policy and credit appraisal system. Carrying out a concurrent audit was also missing. The Bank had opened deposit accounts in respect of four front companies of the promoter of M/s Century Consultants Group viz. Shri Anand Krishna Johari who was also a Director on the Board of the Bank. The accounts were opened without observing the usual safeguards such as introduction, obtaining of Memorandum and Articles of Association etc. The Board had vested full powers of investment on Shri Anand Krishna Johari and all investment decisions were taken by him. The result was that between 5th and 15th March, 2001, the Bank's funds to the

extent of Rs. 6.50 crore were utilized for

As reported in May, 2003

RBI has reported as follows:-

The City Co-operative Bank, a non-scheduled bank based in Lucknow was inspected with reference to its position as on March 31, 1999, during May-June, 1999. The statutory inspection did not reveal any serious irregularities: the irregularities revealed were of rectifiable in nature, such as, absence of any loan policy, deficiency in credit appraisal system, laxity in post-disbursement supervision, unsatisfactory functioning of management and loan committees, lack of effective internal control system and control over branches. These irregularities did not warrant any immediate drastic action against the bank. As per the normal procedure followed, these deficiencies were discussed by the inspecting officers with the Chairman and the board on the concluding day of the inspection and the board was asked to take expeditious action to rectify the deficiencies and submit specific compliance to RBI. Inspection report pointed inter-alia, that the bank had violated the Reserve Bank of India guidelines on credit exposure of individual exposure norm of 20% of its capital funds and group exposure norm of 50% of its capital funds in several cases and the bank had defaulted in maintenance of Cash Reserve Ratio

The irregularities observed in the bank's functioning were

As per Government of Uttar Pradesh, the latest position regarding action taken against officers under administrative control of Finance Department is as under:-

S.	Name	Post	Action
<u>No</u>	S/Shri		Taken
1	H.N.	Senior	Hasbeen
	Awasthi	Auditor	suspended,
			charge sheet
			served & enquiry
			officer appointed.
			Enquiry Report
			submitted
2	B.K.	Senior	Hasbeen
	Tandon	Auditor	suspended,
			charge sheet
			served & enquiry
			officer appointed.
			Enquiry Report
			submitted and
			terminationorder
			issued.

SI. No. Para No. Observation/Recommendation of JPC

investments in bonds of Cyber Space Infosys-a concern of Shri Johari, contrary to RBI instructions prohibiting equity investment in such companies. There was also a total absence of any loan policy/ committee and all credit decisions too were taken only by Shri Anand Johari. The Bank had invested funds to the extent of Rs. 15.68 crore in term deposits and receipts aggregating to Rs. 2.62 crore could not be produced to RBI for verification during the investigations. It was noticed that these were however (ii) encashed but not accounted for and the proceeds had simply been siphoned off. Similarly, the Bank did not have any documentary evidence in respect of a large amount of investment amounting to Rs. 21.40 crore indicating that the money had been misutilised by Shri Anand Krishna Johari. The advances were disbursed on the orders of the Secretary cum CEO. In addition, advances against shares in physical form were granted in excess of the ceiling of Rs. 10 lakh per individual as prescribed by the RBI which resulted in turning the entire portfolio to the tune of Rs. 1.53 crore into NPAs. Furthermore, the Bank had violated RBI directives on unsecured advances by sanctioning limits in excess of Rs. 50,000 in a number of cases, in blatant violation of the RBI directive on maximum limit in relation to unsecured advances. During the period January-March, 2001, the Bank had sanctioned large advances to the tune of Rs. 5.88 crore to 15 borrowers without the backing of any tangible security in blatant violation of RBI

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perpetrated after the statutory inspection of the bank conducted by the RBI during May-June 1999 and indicates a clear case of

2. In the light of the findings of the scrutiny, RBI has taken the following measures:

nexus of the board with firm/s connected with the directors.

- (i) With a view to prevent preferential payment to depositors and to contain the run, a Directive by RBI under Section 35 A of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 (As Applicable to Cooperative Societies), was imposed on March 22, 2001 directing the bank not to accept fresh deposits or give fresh loans and not to repay more than one thousand rupees to any single depositor.
- (ii) The Registrar of Cooperative Societies, Uttar Pradesh had been requested on April 03, 2001 to supersede the Board of Management of the captioned bank and to appoint an Administrator for securing proper management by invoking the provisions of Sub-section (iii) of Section 90 B of the U.P. Co-operative Societies Act, 1965. Accordingly, the Registrar of Cooperative Societies issued an order on April 09, 2001 superseding the Board and appointing the District Magistrate, Lucknow as the Administrator of the bank.
- iii) In view of the serious irregularities in the functioning of the bank as revealed in the interim report on scrutiny of books of account of the bank, a criminal complaint was filed by the Reserve Bank against the Chairman, Directors and Chief Executive Officer of the bank in the Court of Judicial Magistrate, Lucknow on April 03, 2001.
- (iv) The City Co-operative Bank Ltd., Lucknow, has filed two Criminal cases with Police Authorities against Shri Gorakh Nath Srivastava, the ex-Secretary of the bank and Shri Anand Krishna Johari, then Director of the bank, for siphoning of bank's funds to the tune of Rs.3230.22 lakh (approximately) in the form of fictitious investments and benami loans.
- 3. The City Co-operative Bank Ltd. was allotted four centres for opening of branches (no licence was issued for opening these branches) on February 27, 2001. This was based on the bank's financial position as on March 31, 2000 and the then prescribed eligibility norms for allotment of centres to UCBs. A scrutiny was

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S.	Name	Post	Action	
No	S/Shri		Taken	
3	Brijraj	District	Hasbeen	
	Singh	Audit	suspended,	
	_	Officer	charge sheet	
		(since	served & enquiry	
		retired)	officer appointed.	
		•	Enquiry Report	
			submitted.	
4	Lallan	District	Was suspended,	
	Singh	Audit	charge sheet	
	Ü	Officer	served &	
		(since	enquiry officer	
		retired)	appointed.	
		•	Enquiry	
			Report submitted	
5	Kamla	Deputy	Has been served	
	Kant	Chief	charge sheet	
	Goswami	Audit	and Special	
		Officer	Secretary	
			(Finance) was	
			appointed enquiry	
			officer . Enquiry	
			Report submitted.	
6	Padam	Deputy	Has been served	
	Jang	Chief	charge sheet	
		Audit	and Special	
		Officer	Secretary	
			(Finance) was	
			appointed enquiry	
			officer . Enquiry	
			Report submitted.	
7	Avadhesh	•	Charge sheet has	
	Dubey	Audit	been served and	
		Officer	Principal Secretary	
			(Finance) is the	
			enquiry officer.	

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Government of UP have informed that it has been communicated to them by DIG, EOW (CID) vide letter dated 15.12.2005 that EOW has completed investigation

directives. Astonishingly loans were sanctioned even against blank applications and without obtaining signatures on the necessary documents. Advances and funds were released by way of demand draft without ensuring their end use.

later carried out in March 2001 on media reports concerning a run on the bank. Certain irregularities were detected and the centres allotted were cancelled on May 09, 2001 well before issue of licences for opening the branches at the allotted centres.

- 4. A scheme of revival of the bank is under consideration of the Government of Uttar Pradesh.
- 5. The CBI had registered two cases pertaining to defrauding of City Cooperative Bank to the tune of Rs.28.97 crores and Rs. 1.71 crores respectively. The investigation in the first case has revealed that out of the total amount of Rs.28.97 crores, an amount of Rs.17.16 crores was transferred to Mumbai and utilised for meeting the pay-in obligations of M/s. Century Consultants Ltd. and its associate companies and persons with Bombay Stock Exchange and National Stock Exchange. The funds were also used for trading in shares of Cyberspace Infosys Ltd. which was done by the promoters themselves for artificially hiking up the price of its shares in the market. Ultimately, when the share price of Cyberspace Infosys Ltd. fell down drastically the money was lost. An amount of Rs 11.81 crores was transferred to the accounts of Century Consultants Ltd. and associate companies and were utilised for meeting various obligations. Funds defrauded from City Cooperative Bank and investors of Century Consultants Ltd. and its group companies are mixed up and were used as one entity as and when required to meet the pay-in obligations to Bombay Stock Exchange and National Stock Exchange. In order to safeguard the interest of City Cooperative Bank and investors of Century Consultants Ltd. the CBI had requested Securities and Exchange Board of India for freezing the pay outs of 21 parties/persons which was the only means to ensure that the funds are not floundered further. The operation of current accounts and depository accounts of Century Consultants Ltd. and associate companies were also stopped. The field investigation has been completed and is under scrutiny in the CBI for taking a final decision in the matter. The CBI has completed investigation in the case pertaining to defrauding of City Cooperative Bank, Lucknow to the tune of Rs.1.71 crores and chargesheet has been submitted in the Court of Special Magistrate, CBI, Lucknow. The trial is at the stage of admission. In this case the CBI had recommended

and the matter is being examined at the higher level. Action against the officers of the Co-opertative Department would be taken on the basis of the findings of the enquiry conducted by Economic Offences Wing (EOW) of Criminal Investigation Department of UP Police.

regular departmental action under major penalty against one Shri K. Srinivasan, officer State Bank of Hyderabad. Accordingly the bank has initiated major penalty proceedings against him in consultation with the Central Vigilance Commission.

- 6. RBI has issued instructions making concurrent audit compulsory for all urban cooperative banks. Instructions have also been issued requiring urban cooperative banks to designate a compliance officer to ensure compliance with and apprise the progress of compliance of the inspections reports of the RBI to the Audit Committee/Board of Directors. The Audit Committee of urban cooperative banks are also now required to monitor implementation of RBI guidelines. A summary of important findings of inspection of urban cooperative banks is sent to the concerned State Government for further action. RBI has also issued instructions to urban cooperative banks that deficiencies/ irregularities observed during the inspection should be fully rectified by the banks and a certificate submitted. False certificate would invite penalties. The Banking Regulation Act is being amended to give greater powers to Reserve Bank of India for taking action against Cooperative Banks for non-compliance of its directives.
- 7. Government of Uttar Pradesh has vide orders dated 24.02.2003 set up a high level enquiry by Member, Board of Revenue to look into the laxity of Registrar of Cooperative Societies and his officers in discharging their duties regarding inspection of a bank. Law Department of Uttar Pradesh has sent a request to the Hon'ble Allahabad High Court for constitution of special court for expeditious disposal of these cases. The matter is under consideration of Hon'ble High Court.

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Chargesheet in RC.19/2001-LKO has been filed by CBI in the Court on 30.8.2003.

A Bill to amend the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 has been introduced in the Lok Sabha on 13.8.2003. The Bill has been referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Government of Uttar Pradesh has reported that the enquiry report has since been received and action against concerned officers has already been initiated by obtaining their explanation. The matter regarding constitution of Special Court for expeditious disposal of cases is still under consideration of Hon'ble Allahabad High Court.

As reported in June, 2004

Reply from Govt. of Uttar Pradesh is awaited. The last reminder was sent on 1/6/2004.

As reported in December, 2004

Govt. of Uttar Pradesh has informed that on the basis of enquiry report submitted by Shri V.K. Mittal, the then Member, Board of Revenue who was appointed as Investigation Officer to look into the laxity of Registrar of Cooperative Societies and his officers in discharging their duties regarding inspection of a bank, adverse entries have been made against Chief Audit Officer, Cooperative Committees and Panchayats, 3 auditors and disciplinary proceedings have been started against two Dy. Chief Audit Officers and two District Audit Officers of City Coop. Bank Ltd. for not carrying out their duties efficiently. No action can be taken against remaining auditors/officers as they have retired from the service and stipulated period of four years for action has already lapsed.

Orders to get the investigation done by Economic Offences Wing (EOW) against the officials found guilty for dereliction of duty and periodical inspection have been issued on 23.7.2004. Progress report from EOW is awaited.

Regarding constitution of Special Courts, Government of Uttar Pradesh have informed that CBI has filed a charge sheet in the Special Court designated for dealing CBI cases, there is no need of constituting Special Courts.

As reported in July, 2005

Shri V.K. Mittal, the then Member, Board of Revenue, who was appointed as Investigation Officer to look into the laxity of Registrar of Cooperative Societies and his officers in discharging their duties, has pointed out serious irregularities on the part of officers of Finance Department and Cooperative Department. Besides, CBI had also recommended action against certain Government officials.

Two Senior Auditors and two Distt. Audit Officer (since retired)

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have been suspended and charge sheets have been served. Besides, charge sheet have also been served to Chief Audit Officer and two Dy. Chief Audit Officers. Enquiry Officer(s) have been appointed in all the above cases.

Government of UP have further informed that action against the officers of the Cooperative Department would be taken on the basis of the findings of the enquiry being conducted by Economic Offences Wing (EOW) of Criminal Investigation Department (CID) of UP Police and it is expected that the enquiry will be completed within a month.

As reported in December, 2005

Govt. of Uttar Pradesh have reported that the enquiry being conducted by Economic Offences Wing (EOW) of Crime Investigation Department (CID) of UP Police against the officers of Cooperative Department is in progress. They have been requested to take up the matter with EOW of CID of UP Police for expediting completion of the same.

8. The Bank had reportedly violated RBI guidelines on credit exposure in respect of the individual exposure norms of 20% of its capital fund and group exposure norm of 50% of its capital fund in several cases. The liquidity position of the Bank was extremely unsatisfactory as the deposit liability of the Bank as on the date of scrutiny i.e. 22.3.2001 stood at Rs. 65.90 crore against the liquid assets of Rs. 8.14 crore. The Bank had also circumvented the CRR guideline as laid down under Section 18 of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949. It had adopted a novel way of inflating its balances with notified/eligible Banks in its books of accounts by booking fictitious debit entries. The Committee also note that there was no system of concurrent audit and the Bank had also violated RBI

As reported in May, 2003

As against para 5.109

As reported in December, 2003

As against para 5.109

As reported in June, 2004

Reply from Govt. of Uttar Pradesh is awaited. The last reminder was sent on 1/6/2004.

As reported in December, 2004

RBI has issued instructions making concurrent audit compulsory for all urban cooperative banks. Instructions have also been issued requiring urban cooperative banks to designate a compliance officer to ensure compliance with and apprise the progress of compliance of the inspections reports of the RBI to the Audit Committee/ Board of Directors. The Audit Committee of urban cooperative banks are also now required to monitor implementation of RBI guidelines.

Govt. of Uttar Pradesh has informed that on the basis of enquiry report submitted by Shri V.K. Mittal, the then Member, Board of Revenue who was appointed as Investigation Officer to look into the laxity of Registrar of Cooperative Societies and his officers As against para 5.109.

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guidelines on income recognition, asset classification and provisioning. This ultimately resulted in systematically siphoning off the Bank's funds to the tune of Rs. 32.30 crore through the companies of Shri Anand Krishna Johari and turning negative the net worth of the Bank.

in discharging their duties regarding inspection of a bank, adverse entries have been made against Chief Audit Officer, Cooperative Committees and Panchayats, three auditors and disciplinary proceedings have been started against two Dy. Chief Audit Officers and two District Audit Officers of City Co-op. Bank Ltd. for not carrying out their duties efficiently. No action can be taken against remaining auditors/officers as they have retired from the service and stipulated period of four years for action has already lapsed.

Orders to get the investigation done by Economic Offences Wing (EOW) against the officials found guilty for dereliction of duty and periodical inspection have been issued on 23.7.2004.

Progress report from EOW is awaited.

As reported in July, 2005

As against para 5.109

As reported in December, 2005

As against Para 5.109.

9. Neither the State Registrar under whose direct control the Bank functions nor the RBI which is an apex regulator in the case of urban cooperative Banks came to know of the misuse of powers and flagrant violation of regulations/directives of the RBI until a public outcry and news in the press. Though under the UP Cooperative Societies Act, 1965 wide powers of conducting inspections, enquiry and audit are vested with the Registrar of the Cooperative Societies. these powers were not exercised to check the functioning of the Bank. RBI too surprisingly issued licences as late as February, 2001 for opening four more branches of the Bank, thereby giving an impression that the Bank was functioning

well. In fact even when in the annual inspection report of 1999, the RBI had clearly indicated some glaring

As reported in May, 2003

As against para 5.109

As reported in December, 2003

As against para 5.109

As reported in June, 2004

Reply from Govt. of Uttar Pradesh is awaited. The last reminder was sent on 1/6/2004.

As reported in December, 2004

As against 5.109.

As reported in July, 2005

As against para No.5.109.

As reported in December, 2005

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expeditiously in the case wherein FIR has been filed for siphoning off funds in the form of cheque purchase for Rs. 1.71 crore.

- (iv) RBI must introduce a system whereby the irregularities pointed out in the annual inspection Reports are removed by the Banks and compliance report is submitted within a period of six months from the date of inspection.
- (v) Strict penal provisions be incorporated in the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 for noncompliance of the directives/ guidelines issued by the RBI from time to time and in case of default, strict disciplinary action should be initiated against the erring officials.
- (vi) As an apex body, though it is not possible for RBI to monitor each and every transaction, it is essential that concurrent audit is conducted in the Banks on a regular basis. The Reserve Bank of India may consider making this mandatory.
- (vii) Investigation must be conducted to unearth where the siphoned money (Rs. 32.30 Crore) has been deployed. Expeditious action is needed to recover the money.
- 11. 5.159 In view of the foregoing the Committee recommend the following:-
 - (i) Action for recovery of the outstanding advances which have been diverted and the other advances which have now been categorized as NPAs be expedited.

Bank Ltd., a sum of Rs.3.94 crore has been recovered from 45 defaulters.

Regarding action against the officers of Cooperative Department, the Govt. of Uttar Pradesh have reported that the enquiry being conducted by Economic Offences Wing (EOW) of Crime Investigation Department (CID) of UP Police is in progress. Govt. of UP have been requested to take up the matter with EOW of CID of UP Police for expediting completion of the same.

As reported in May, 2003

(i) Global Trust Bank (GTB) has reported that they are initiating legal action in respect of all Ketan Parekh related NPA accounts. As regards recovery in other NPA accounts, the bank has reported recovery of Rs.5.98 crores and Rs.9 crores during January 2003 and February 2003, respectively. ICAI have informed that they are hopeful to complete the exercise shortly.

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- (ii) In case there is any dereliction of duty on the part of the Bank Auditors, the same may be referred to the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India for further enquiry and appropriate action.
- (iii) Even though there were no breach of regulations, it was observed that certain loans were sanctioned without comprehensive evaluation and therefore, the bank must ensure that proper credit appraisal and monitoring system is in place.
- (iv) The procedural working of the banks must be strengthened and the RBI must ensure that the rectification, if any, takes place in a time-bound manner.
- (v) In the immediate aftermath of the Stock Market crash, RBI focused on one new private bank although other private banks also had large exposure to the capital market including some who had exceeded RBI limits. Now that substantial information is available about all the banks concerned, the Committee recommend RBI undertake a thorough review and process matters relating to all concerned in a uniform and consistent manner.

- (ii) As regards any dereliction of duty on the part of the Bank Auditors, the matter has already been brought to the notice of Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) by RBI.
- (iii) The bank has been directed by RBI to take corrective action.
- (iv) RBI has issued Instructions to its regional offices on 29.05.2002 to streamline and strengthen the system of followup action on the findings of Annual Financial Inspection of banks in a time bound manner. Details have given in reply to Para No.10.8.
- (v) In order to review the capital market exposure of banks in a uniform and consistent manner, the Reserve Bank of India is obtaining monthly reports on capital market exposure from all banks.

As reported in December 2003

Follow up action is in progress.

As reported in June, 2004

RBI is following up the recovery of the amounts on a continuous basis

As reported in December, 2004

Bank of India - Recovered Rs. 17.62 lakh during the period and the balance outstanding was Rs. 121.43 crore as on June 30, 2004. The bank is going ahead with compromise settlement in respect of Ketan Parekh group entities with the approval of the Government of India.

Global Trust Bank Ltd. - Classified the accounts as NPAs has made 100% provision for the total exposure and filed criminal cases as well as cases with DRTs against parties.

ICICI Bank Ltd. - Recalled the loan in one account and suit is being filed.

Centurion Bank Ltd. - Has fully written off the outstanding balance in accounts relating to Ketan Parekh entities and has also initiated legal proceedings in DRT-II.

Bank of Punjab Ltd. - Has filed recovery suits in DRT and issued notice under SARFAESI Act, 2002 for taking possession of property mortgaged.

Ratnakar Bank Ltd. - Loan against fixed deposit has since been fully adjusted.

The above banks have been advised by RBI to take effective steps to recover the entire amount from the Ketan Parekh entities expeditiously.

As reported in July, 2005

- (i) All the concerned banks have filed cases in DRT, Mumbai against the companies concerned and their guarantors etc. As the number of cases pending against companies of Ketan Parekh Group is numerous, the proceedings in the DRT are slow. The process of recovery will take its own legal course.
- (ii) ICAI have informed that they have called the comments/ explanations of the auditors concerned on 25.2.2005. The concerned statutory auditors for the years 2001-02 and 2002-03 have sent in their respective responses dated 20th May, 2005 which have been received by ICAI on 24th May, 2005.

The auditors have categorically stated in their aforesaid responses that since the RBI has neither provided the relevant Annual Financial Inspection(s) and the basis/parameters adopted by the special auditors and has also restrained the ICAI from parting with the Special Audit Report for perusal/examination by the statutory auditors for the year 2001-02, they are not in a position to offer any view/explanation thereon. They had expressed their inability to offer their comments/explanation, in the absence of the relevant data/information/details. They have, however, added that they have conducted the respective audits in accordance with the generally accepted accounting and auditing practices (GAAP) and the various pronouncements and accordingly requested the Institute to close the matter. Further examination of the matter is in process at ICAI.

As reported in December, 2005

The documents/details sought by the respective respondent-firms for submission of their respective explanation were received by ICAI from the RBI on 4th August, 2005 and the same were forwarded on 5th August, 2005 to the respondent firms with stipulation that their explanation/comments should reach them by 31st August, 2005.

The respective respondent-firms have furnished their explanation /comments vide their letter dated 15.9.05 & 19.9.2005 respectively and the same is being examined and processed by the ICAI in terms of the provisions of Chartered Accountants Act, 1949 and the Regulations framed thereunder.

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The Committee find that the payment problem in CSE in March, 2001 was primarily due to high concentration in a few scrips by a few brokers and a general failure of the Exchange in terms of surveillance and risk management. These in turn owed their existence to the weaknesses in the system due to conflict of interest in the case of broker Directors. The total pay-in default of Rs.120 crore during the crisis was met by utilising the Settlement Guarantee Fund and from other resources of the Exchange. This is stated to have impacted the reserves of the Exchange to the tune of Rs.11 crore. Although SEBI has claimed that all investors got their due amount or securities on time and that there was no possibility of any adverse impact in real terms on other Stock Exchanges or the overall Stock Market, the Committee note that the payment crisis did affect market sentiment all over the country. As is evident from the succeeding paragraphs of this section, there has been obvious laxity in surveillance and gross violation of exposure controls and risk management measures. Payment crisis in CSE was not an isolated incident. It must be viewed from the overall manipulations of stock markets in India by various players of which Calcutta brokers became surrogates. These players included key brokers, corporate houses behind the brokers and broker directors of CSE. The payment crisis in CSE is due to wilful inaction of CSE and SEBI and involvement of banks.

As reported in May, 2003

SEBI has informed that it was the then policy of SEBI to follow up the compliance with the findings of the inspection and rectification through off site reporting requirement. The compliance of previous year's inspection was checked in the subsequent year's inspection of the stock exchange. This was the policy and practice then followed by SEBI in respect of all stock exchanges.

The collection of margin compliance with exposure limit etc. was a normal surveillance function of any stock exchange, for which the stock exchanges were supposed to have set up an accurate system for surveillance function. During a special inspection of CSE conducted by SEBI in May 2001, the problem related to exposure limit and collection of margins were detected. This inspection was not the normal inspection to look into the routine aspects such as Rules, Regulations, Circulars etc. but also the surveillance system of CSE. This inspection, therefore, detected the deficiency in the exposure limit, the inaccuracy in the calculation of margin, the algorithm in the system of margin collection and exposure limit.

In case of CSE, these systems of surveillance were provided by CMC Limited, then Public Sector Undertaking which had also supplied software to Bombay Stock Exchange and other stock exchanges. It was expected that the system would have the correct algorithm to calculate margin, exposure limit and other risk management requirements. These were the basic requirements which were to be ensured by the stock exchange while accepting the software. SEBI's annual inspection of stock exchanges looked at whether the margin provided / calculated by the system and the exposure limit were collected / maintained by the stock exchange and accordingly the actions are being taken by the stock exchanges for non compliance. Such action would include penalty, switching off terminals etc.

CSE had indicated that they had collected margin of Rs. 594 crore to Rs. 656 crore during January / February 2001. Besides, CSE has also reported that between April 01, 2000 to March 31, 2001, on 3607 occasions terminals of the brokers were

Further investigation is being conducted with the help of SEBI, ROC, Stock Exchange and other regulatory bodies regarding software error and role played by the accused broker directors who were aware of such error.

deactivated due to violation of intra day trading limits / exposure limit, non payments of margins and other violations. Similarly, CSE had in the said period also imposed fines on 618 occasions on the members for non payment of pay-in / margins on due dates. When SEBI had detected in its own special inspection report where cases of the terminals were not switched off, SEBI had taken action by calling explanation of Executive Director for non deactivation of the terminals of the members in case of instances of delay in collection of margin observed. It may also be mentioned that after considering the SEBI's special inspection report and the comments of the Executive Director on the lapses and deficiencies (including non-deactivation of trading terminals for non-payment of margins on time) pointed out in the report, the Board of CSE in its meeting held on August 11, 2001 decided to terminate the contract of the Executive Director of CSE with immediate effect.

SEBI thereafter asked CSE to conduct system audit. Other stock exchanges such as BSE, NSE, DSE, UPSE and ASE have also been advised to conduct systems audit. CSE appointed Ernst and Young to conduct the audit of the systems of the exchange. The systems audit carried out by Ernst and Young pointed out several deficiencies in the trading system of the exchange.

The findings of the system audit have been communicated by CSE to M/s. CMC Limited. Further M/s. CMC Limited has been advised by SEBI to conduct a formal enquiry in their organization and fix responsibility for serious lapses. CMC has also been advised to confirm rectification of deficiencies pointed out in the system audit report has been completed.

It may also be mentioned that CSE has initiated criminal and civil proceedings (at the instance of SEBI) against the concerned brokers of Singhania Group, Biyani Group and Poddar Group. Further, as advised by SEBI, CSE has also filed FIR against Singhania Group, Biyani Group and Poddar Group of brokers with Kolkata Police Authorities (Case ref. – Hare Street P.S/DD Case No. 476 dated 24.09.2002 U/s. 120B/420/409/467/468/471/477A IPC). The details have been given in reply to para no. 6.101.

With regard to payment crisis and impacting the reserves of the exchange, SEBI have informed that the total turnover in CSE in settlement no. 148 was Rs. 8610 crore (daily average Rs.1700 crore). The total turnover for settlement nos. 149 and 150 was Rs. 4744 crore and Rs.1275 crore respectively. Thus the total business done by CSE in the three settlements was Rs.14629 crore against which the payment shortfall was Rs.96.59 crore only. Thus while in absolute amount the shortfall is sizable, it is only 0.66% of the total business done on the CSE in the three settlements.

Regarding the impact of the payment crisis in CSE on the stock market, SEBI have informed that the total turnover during the relevant 3 weeks period in the major stock exchanges viz. NSE, BSE and CSE was around Rs.119000 crore and the total payment shortfall in the settlement nos. 148,149 & 150 at CSE was Rs. 96.59 crore which is only 0.08 % of the total business done in the major exchanges. Though the amount of shortfall of Rs. 96.59 crore is sizable in absolute terms, this amount of shortfall is only 0.08% of the total business done in the major 3 exchanges.

CSE confirmed vide letter dated March 23, 2001 that the pay-out for settlement nos. 148, 149 and 150 was completed as per schedule by using SGF and General Reserves of the Exchange and other recoveries. The exchange also confirmed that no investor was affected. Completion of pay-out of settlement no. 148 was confirmed by the ED, CSE in the Emergency Board Meeting of CSE held on March 12, 2001. As all investors got their due amounts or securities on time, there is no possibility of any adverse impact in real terms on the other stock exchanges or the over all stock market. SEBI has not received any complaint from investors for non-receipt of pay out at CSE.

The action taken against the various brokers and the Executive Director and the FIR lodged by CSE had been discussed in detail in reply to para no. 6.101.

In addition, CSE had filed a case against IndusInd Bank before the National Forum of Consumer Protection for recovery of damage due to deficiency in service by IndusInd Bank. However, the Forum dismissed the application on the ground that the matter required examination of complex question of law evidence and cross evidence of documents of huge volume. The exchange preferred an appeal being the Civil Appeal No 8435/2001 in Supreme Court.

Surveillance inspection of Calcutta Stock exchange was conducted in March 2002, wherein the stock watch system, its benchmarks, alert generation, follow up of alerts and investigations taken up by the exchange were examined. Inspection findings were communicated to the exchange with detailed comments on the above areas. Compliance report have been received from the exchange and SEBI board has been apprised of the status on various aspects.

As reported in December 2003

Regarding the FIR lodged with Kolkatta Police by CSE, the investigation is going on.

Regarding the appeal filed by CSE in the Supreme Court against the order of National Forum of Consumer Protection for recovery of damages from IndusInd Bank, there is no change in status.

As reported in June, 2004

Investigation of Kolkatta Police is in progress.

As reported in December, 2004

Investigations by Kolkata Police are in progress. SEBI is following up with Kolkata Police authorities for early disposal of FIR filed by CSE.

As reported in July, 2005

Kolkatta Police have informed that further investigation is being conducted with the help of SEBI, ROC, Stock Exchange and other regulatory bodies regarding software error and role played by the accused broker directors who were aware of such error.

As reported in December, 2005

As against para 4.68.

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13.	6.97	The margin money collected by CSE on	As reported in May, 2003	As against para 6.94.
		gross exposure of brokers was substantially	As at Para 6.94.	
		lower than the required amount due to a	As reported in December, 2003	
		software error. The programme module	With regard to the alleged criminal negligence on the part of the	
		used to erroneously report zero in place	then Executive Director, CSE has been advised by SEBI to ensure	
		of all values larger than Rs. 2.14 crore	that during investigation of the matter by Kolkata Police or	
		(approx.). The under statement of gross	otherwise, if any offence or criminal act on the part of the then	
		exposure margin varied from day to day	Executive Director and / or any other functionaries of the	
		and it was as much as Rs. 50.38 crore on	Exchange is found out, the Exchange shall initiate immediate	
		1.3.2001 out of which the	appropriate action including filing another complaint with the	
		under-statement pertaining to one	Kolkata Police.	
		defaulter broker alone was to the tune of	As reported in June, 2004	
		over Rs.11 crore. The brokers including	SEBI is co-ordinating with Kolkatta Police.	
		broker directors were aware of the	As reported in December, 2004	
		software error and avoided reporting the	Investigations by Kolkata Police are in progress. SEBI is following	
		matter to the Exchange. This reveals the	up with Kolkata Police authorities for early disposal of FIR filed	
		collusion and connivance among all	by CSE.	
	ग	concerned. The Committee cannot accept	As reported in July, 2005	
		the then Executive Director's plea that he	As against para 6.94.	
		had no knowledge of the error which had	As reported in December, 2005	
		been prevalent since December, 1999.	As against para 4.68.	
		The Committee, therefore, recommend		
		that this be thoroughly investigated and		
		appropriate action taken.		
14.	6.104	The Committee are concerned to learn that	As reported in May, 2003	The case of Shri L.K. Singhvi was placed
		the deficiencies in the working of CSE were	Matter is under consideration of SEBI.	before the disciplinary authority for his
		not of recent origin. SEBI's report a decade	As reported in December, 2003	decision regarding initiation of disciplinary
		ago had found numerous deficiencies	Explanation has been sought from Executive Director (Secondary	proceedings against the officer. In his note
		including absence of a mechanism for	Market Department) and the officers concerned. They have	dated 26.11.05, the disciplinary authority

submitted their explanation. These are under consideration.

Executive Director (Surveillance) has been repatriated to parent

Department and relevant material has been sent to Central Board

monitoring margins. On the basis of an enquiry into the affairs of CSE in April,

1994, it was recommended that the Board

had observed that on the basis of the

material on record, there was no basis to

proceed against Shri L.K. Singhvi. Further,

of the Exchange should be suspended. The problems of CSE as seen by this Committee appear to flow from the culture of non-compliance with rules, regulations and transparent practices. This appears to have developed over a period of time. In 1994 it was recommended that the Board of the Exchange should be suspended because of gross malpractices. After reviewing the position, however, the SEBI did not suspend the Exchange or take any severe measures as to shake up work culture of the exchange. The Committee's examination has, however. shown that nothing changed in CSE. Instead, things went from bad to worse. It is clear that despite knowing the track record of CSE, SEBI did not take timely corrective action. The Committee are of the view that SEBI should have played a more proactive role in the affairs of CSE and curbed malpractices well in time. The SEBI failed to do so. Officials of Surveillance Department of SEBI dealing with CSE are also similarly responsible. SEBI's lapses should be investigated and accountability be fixed.

of Direct Taxes (CBDT) for seeking explanation from the officer. **As reported in June. 2004**

Explanations have been sought from the then ED and all concerned officials in SEBI who were involved in the task of inspection of CSE during 1999 and 2000. Replies received from them are being examined.

As regards the then ED, Surveillance who was on deputation from CBDT, CBDT was requested to take further appropriate action. A reminder has been sent on May 21, 2004 to intimate progress in the matter.

As reported in December, 2004

The matter relating to the action against SEBI officials is in the final stage and action shall be completed shortly.

As regards, action against the then Executive Director (Surveillance), SEBI is in touch with CBDT.

As reported in July, 2005

SEBI have informed that on examination of the replies furnished by the concerned SEBI officials, the Competent Authority has indicated that no further action need be taken. The matter is under review.

As regards, action against the then Executive Director (Surveillance), SEBI who was on deputation from CBDT, CBDT have informed that the explanation of Shri L.K. Singhvi has been called vide Department of Revenue's OM dated 26.3.05 and the reply furnished by Shri Singhvi has been forwarded to Chairman, SEBI vide their DO letter dtd 18/20.5.2005 requesting them to examine and intimate whether the facts stated by the officer in his reply are correct and whether the surveillance department of SEBI have no role in the inspections as stated by Shri Singhvi.

As reported in December, 2005

The matter relating to action taken by SEBI against their officials is under review with them.

the disciplinary authority had also observed that the inability to make available Surveillance Inspection Records on the part of SEBI was a critical deficiency disabling the disciplinary authority from taking a comprehensive view of the matter. This was a matter of concern, which needed to be taken up separately with SEBI.

The matter relating to action taken by SEBI against their officials is under review with

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7.4 The failure in investigating into the role of promoters and corporate entities while share prices of particular scrips were being artificially manipulated has been attributed by SEBI to the absence of authority to investigate into their role under the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992. Under Section 11(2)(i), SEBI is charged with responsibility of calling for information, undertaking inspections, conducting enquiries and audit of the stock exchanges, mutual funds, other persons associated with the stock market, intermediaries and self-regulatory organizations in the stock market. Though it may be possible to contend that SEBI did not enjoy the authority to directly investigate corporate entities, which might have, through various channels, provided funding in the stock market. That the promoters and corporate entities were, at the relevant time, playing a significant role cannot be denied. The Department of Company Affairs, one of the entities having informed itself of this or been alerted to the role of promoters and corporate entities, taken timely action in the matter. Diversion of funds allocated to specific projects for use in the stock market for c) the purchase of specific scrips, investment companies operating in the stock market through brokers, nexus between brokers and corporate entities in the context of the interests of brokers in specific corporate entities, which facts have now come to light, establish the nexus between brokers and corporate e)

As reported in May, 2003

Department of Company Affairs have informed that some corporate houses misused the liberalisation introduced by insertion of section 372A to transfer large sums of money to the KP group. It is proposed to tighten the loopholes by carrying out several changes in section 372A. As a result of the lessons drawn from the stock market scams and as a consequence of the recommendations of the JPC, it is proposed to amend Section 372A to close the loopholes noticed and to prescribe a more severe punishment for its violation. Proposals have been formulated as part of the amendments to the Companies Act under consideration.

Action taken by SEBI is reflected in reply to Para 2.15.

As reported in December, 2003

The Department of Company Affairs has introduced the Companies Amendment Bill, 2003 in the Rajya Sabha on 7th May, 2003. The Cabinet has now advised the Department that instead of moving a number of official amendments to the Bill, DCA should bring a new legislation for consideration of the Cabinet.

SEBI has taken following further action:

a) against DSQ Software Ltd. and promoters :

A personal hearing has been granted to the DSQ Software Ltd., and its promoter Shri Dinesh Dalmia on 22/11/2003 before Chairman, SEBI issues final order in the matter.

regulatory authority could have, had it b) against Padmini Technologies Ltd:

Prosecutions lodged against the company and its wholetime directors in the Court of Addl. Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Tis Hazari, Delhi vide case no. 252 of 2003 on March 26, 2003.

- against Zee Telefilms Ltd: Found violated the provisions of SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeover) Regulations, 1997. Penalty of Rs. 60,000 was imposed and paid.
- d) against Global Tele-Systems Ltd (GTL Ltd): Found violated the provisions of SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeover) Regulations, 1997. Penalty of Rs.1,20,000 was imposed and paid.
- against Pentamedia Graphics Ltd: Found violated the

Proposals for revision of the Companies Act, 1956 through a revised Companies Bill are at an advanced stage of preparation.

Action taken by SEBI is reflected in reply to Para 2.15.

entities. The proximity of promoters and brokers is also established by the frequency with which both acted in collusion by the use of circular trading in **f)** respect of shares of certain companies, with the sole objective of creating an impression that the scrip in which circular trading is effected was heavily traded; consequently enticing innocent participants in the stock market to purchase the scrip of that company. These and other factors contributed largely to the artificial inflation of share prices in specific scrips, particular known as the "K-10 stocks" which, in turn, sentiment being created in the market which enthused others to invest solely in these specific scrips and the stock market in general.

provisions of SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeover) Regulations, 1997. Penalty of Rs. 90,000 was imposed and paid.

f) against entities of Ranbaxy Laboratories Ltd:
Adjudication proceedings for alleged contravention of section
15A(a) of the SEBI Act read with Regulation 3(4) of the SEBI
(Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeover)
Regulations, 1997 have been initiated against 12 promoter
group entities of Ranbaxy Laboratories Ltd. The adjudication
proceedings are in progress.

As reported in June, 2004

These and other factors contributed largely to the artificial inflation of share prices in specific scrips, particular known as the "K-10 stocks" which, in turn, contributed in large measure to a sentiment being created in the market DCA had introduced Companies (Amendment) Bill 2003 in the Rajya Sabha on 07.05.2003. The previous Cabinet had directed the Department that instead of moving a number of official amendments to the Bill, DCA may bring a new legislation for consideration of the Cabinet. The new comprehensive Bill is under preparation.

As regards action taken by SEBI, the position is given in reply to para No. 2.15.

As reported in December, 2004

Companies Bill was introduced. It was decided to take up comprehensive review and revamp of the law. Decision endorsed by the new Govt. on assumption of office after Lok Sabha Election 2004. Concept Paper was placed in Website on 04-08-2004. Time allowed for comments 3 months. Consultation with various organisations, Experts Professional bodies in progress.

As regards action by SEBI, the position is given in reply to para No.2.15.

As reported in July, 2005

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The concept paper has been referred to J.J. Irani Committee for examination. The said committee has submitted its report to the Government on 31.5.2005. The same is under examination.

As reported in December, 2005

Action taken by SEBI is reflected in reply to Para 2.15.

The Report of J.J. Irani Committee is under examination.

Out of these 23 companies, in respect of one company i.e. DSQ Group, the investigation has been completed and Show Cause Notices have been issued under both FERA & FEMA. In respect

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16.	7.51 SEBI furnished four sets of interim reports inclusive of its investigation regarding scrips of certain corporate bodies. The Committee's insistence for SEBI's final findings regarding the role of promoters/ corporate bodies in the price manipulation of the scrips yielded yet another set of reports most of which were again of interim nature and were received as late as in November 2002. Due to non-availability of Final Report from SEBI, the Committee could not have the opportunity to take oral evidence of these corporate bodies. The Committee urge SEBI, the Department of Company Affairs and other investigative agencies to expedite and complete their investigations into involvement of promoters/corporate houses in manipulation of prices of scrips which were found to have undergone unusual volatility. The Government should take appropriate action under the provisions of the relevant laws on the basis of outcome of their findings. Expeditious action should be taken against those involved wherever the involvement of promoter/corporate house is established.	As reported in May, 2003 Enforcement Directorate has informed that JPC has commented on the suspect roles of 15 promoters and Corporate entities. Files in respect of 15 promoters / companies stated to be close to Ketan Parekh were opened by them to determine the nexus with brokers through OCB's and FII's and to trace violation of RBI/SIA norms while transferring equity to OCB's and FII's. The promoter companies can be divided into two parts:- 1. Out of the 15 companies mentioned in the JPC report, there are companies, where certain enquiries which might have a FEMA angle were still pending. These comprise the a) DSQ group, b)Zee Telefilms Ltd., c)HFCL, d)Global Telesytems, e)Global Trust Bank, f)Silverline Technologies, g)SSI Ltd. 2. With regard to the second group, the Enforcement Directorate's inquiries have been directed against these promoter companies where certain details have been called for. This group comprises a)Adani Exports, b)Padmini Technologies c)Aftek Infosys, d)Satyam Computers e) Ranbaxy Ltd. f) Lupin Labs g) Pentamedia Graphics h) Shonkh Technologies. In addition to the 15 promoters and corporate entities mentioned in JPC report, on the basis of SEBI report suggesting the specific involvement in market manipulation and their proximity to Ketan Parekh, the Enforcement Directorate has initiated investigation in respect of the following companies: a)Maars Technologies, b) Mascon Global, c) Mukta Arts, d) Tips Industries, e) Balaji Telefilms, f) Kopran Group, g) Nirma Group, h) Cadilla group. Investigations by the Enforcement Directorate in respect of these 23 promoters/companies are in progress. Action taken by SEBI is covered in Para 2.15. As reported in December, 2003 The Enforcement Directorate had also initiated investigation in respect of 8 more companies. Thus, the total number of companies, which were under investigation by Enforcement Directorate, was 23.

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No change in the status.

of M/s Maars Technologies and Silverline Technologies Ltd., investigation on one aspect i.e. non-realisation of export proceeds have since been completed and Show Cause Notices have been issued under FEMA on 11.6.2003 and 8.10.2003 respectively.

Investigations in respect of the remaining 20 companies are at a very advanced stage.

As reported in June, 2004

Investigations by Enforcement Directorate are in progress.

As reported in December, 2004

Out of 23 companies, Show Cause Notice (SCN) to one more company i.e. M/s Lupin Ltd. (apart from 04 companies against whom SCNs have already been issued) has been issued on 2/9/2004 leaving 18 companies against whom investigations are at a very advanced stage.

Besides, part investigations have been completed against one more company viz. M/s Shonkh Tech. Ltd. and a show cause notice for non-realisation of export proceeds has been issued. However, further investigations in this case are also being carried out on the basis of documents received from the CBI.

In another company of M/s Ketan Parekh, a show cause notice has been issued to M/s Classic Credit Ltd. and M/s Panther Fin Cap Ltd. (both Ketan Parekh entities in India) alongwith Shri Ketan Parekh. However, some more investigations are being carried out.

Further, a show cause notice issued to M/s DSQ Software Ltd. has been adjudicated by imposing a penalty of Rs.2 crore on the company and Rs.2 crore on Shri Dinesh Dalmia.

As reported in July, 2005

Enforcement Directorate has informed that out of 23 companies, Show Cause Notices against seven companies have been issued. Investigation against remaining 16 companies is at an advance stage.

As reported in December, 2005

No change in the status.

Having learnt about the ingenious ways of transferring funds by certain companies to manipulate the market, SEBI has now

As reported in May, 2003

DCA has informed that regarding multiple investment companies, a proposal has been formulated as part of the amendments to

As against para 7.4.

7.53

made certain suggestions to prevent proliferation of shell companies. In order that the scope of registering shell companies with fictitious details about their initial subscribers/promoters, their addresses etc., appropriate revisions in the rules as well as in the forms prescribed under the respective rules also need be effected by Registrar of Companies and other statutory authorities in the existing ones and introduce adequate verification of the details furnished in applications for registration of companies, without delay. The SEBI suggestions include yearly declaration by companies about floating of subsidiary/ associate companies, etc., disclosure on quarterly basis about change in investments by the subsidiaries/associate companies, restriction on floating investment companies by a parent company and verification of the antecedents of the persons behind the investment companies. SEBI has also suggested regulation of reverse merger where an unlisted company merges with a listed company on non-transparent manner. The Committee are of the view that these suggestions merit urgent examination and follow up action by the Government. The Committee also feel that the issues concerning preferential allotment and private placement also need to be looked into afresh by DCA and SEBI in the light of the SEBI's findings in this regard with a view to take suitable corrective measures.

the Companies Act presently under consideration of the Department.

Regarding preferential allotment, DCA will shortly be making rules on the basis of the recommendations of the Verma Committee.

SEBI has informed that regarding preferential allotment of shares, SEBI has already amended SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeover) Regulations 1997 thereby withdrawing the automatic exemption (from open offer requirements) available to shares acquired on preferential basis beyond the specified limits. This amendment will prevent misuse of preferential allotment to acquire control or substantial stake in a listed company.

As regards the private placement of debt, the Secondary Market Advisory Committee of SEBI has inter-alia recommended that the same standards of disclosures as are applicable for public issue of debt, should be made applicable to private placement of debt instruments, which are proposed to be listed. The matter is being pursued.

In addition, SEBI has also laid down certain guidelines for preferential issues to be made by listed companies. The compliance with SEBI (preferential offer guidelines) is a pre condition for listing of the shares allotted on preferential basis, by listed companies. The guidelines inter-alia deal with disclosures to be given in the notice for shareholders meeting, minimum price to be based on average market prices and other requirements. Listed companies are required to comply with the guidelines. Additionally Stock Exchanges are required to ensure compliance of the guidelines before listing these shares.

As reported in December, 2003

The Department of Company Affairs has introduced the Companies Amendment Bill, 2003 in the Rajya Sabha on 7th May 2003. The Cabinet has now advised the Department that instead of moving a number of official amendments to the Bill, DCA should bring a new legislation for consideration of the Cabinet.

In regard to recommendations of Prof. Verma Committee regarding preferential allotment, the Department is going to issue "Unlisted Public Companies (Preference Allotment) Rules".

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Circular on private placement of debt securities by listed companies has been issued by SEBI on September 30, 2003.

As reported in June, 2004

DCA had introduced Companies (Amendment) Bill 2003 in the Rajya Sabha on 7.5.2003. The previous Cabinet had directed the Department that instead of moving a number of official amendments to the Bill, DCA may bring a new legislation for consideration of the Cabinet. The new comprehensive Bill is under preparation.

In regard to recommendations of Prof. Verma Committee, DCA has notified the "Unlisted Public Companies (Preference Allotment) Rules" on 04.12.2003.

As reported in December, 2004

As against para 7.4.

As reported in July, 2005

As against para No.7.4.

As reported in December, 2005

The Report of J.J. Irani Committee is under examination.

18. 7.54

7.54 This Committee hold that even as there are valid reasons to believe that the corporate house-broker-bank-FIIs nexus played havoc in the Indian capital market quite sometime now through fraudulent manipulations of prices at the cost of the small investors, this Committee were severely handicapped in the matter of making any purposeful recommendations because of non-availability of required support from concerned regulatory and other bodies with necessary material. The issue acquires added importance in view of the recommendations of the 1992 JPC regarding the urgent need to go into this unhealthy nexus of corporate entities-brokers-banks and others.

As reported in May, 2003

SEBI is looking into the matter.

As reported in December, 2003

No change in the status.

As reported in June, 2004

The position has been explained in reply to para No. 2.15.

As reported in December, 2004

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As reported in July, 2005

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19.	8.76	SEBI's investigations have brought out several instances of violations by OCBs such as non-delivery of shares, purchase of shares on adjustment basis, booking purchase orders without sufficient balances in their accounts, exceeding the prescribed ceiling of 5 per cent for individual OCBs and violations of 10 per cent aggregate ceiling, etc. Certain OCBs and sub-accounts of FIIs also violated the SEBI (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Take Over) Regulations. SEBI has mentioned five OCBs and two sub-accounts of FIIs which have aided, assisted and abetted in creation of artificial market and volumes, circular trading and building up concentrated positions in a few scrips. SEBI is reportedly taking action against four OCBs and one sub-account for violation of its regulations regarding substantial acquisition of shares. As regards market manipulations by OCBs, SEBI is stated to be examining the matter legally. The Committee urge that SEBI's remaining investigations as well as its legal examination should be completed expeditiously and appropriate action taken against offenders. The Committee note that the Directorate of Enforcement has also since issued show cause notices to the custodian bank and certain OCBs for FERA violations. The Committee hope that final action in this regard would be

completed early.

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As reported in May, 2003

SEBI has informed that Adjudication orders were passed by it No change in the status. against OCBs, viz. Kensington Investments Ltd, Brentfield Holdings Ltd, European Investments Ltd and Far East Investments Ltd and sub-account viz. Kallar Kahar Investments Ltd for their dealings in the scrips viz. Mascon Global Ltd, Shonkh Technologies Ltd, DSQ Biotech Ltd, Aftek Infosys and Global Trust Bank (GTB).

Enforcement Directorate has informed that adjudication proceedings in relation to four Show Cause Notices under FERA and two under FEMA comprising ten charges against custodian Bank and OCB have already been and are being expedited.

As reported in December, 2003

The adjudication proceedings in relation to four SCNs under FERA and two complaints under FEMA comprising 10 charges against Custodian Bank and the OCB's have already begun. The Adjudicating Authority has been advised to expedite the proceedings.

r As reported in June, 2004

Adjudication proceedings in relation to four SCNs under FERA and two complaints under FEMA comprising 10 charges against Custodian Bank and the OCB's are in progress.

As reported in December, 2004

Adjudication proceedings are in progress.

As reported in July, 2005

Out of 6 SCNs issued under FERA/FEMA, adjudication proceedings into two SCNs issued under FEMA have been completed. As a result of adjudication, penalty has been imposed in one case. In another case, charge was not established. The Adjudicating Officers have been requested to expedite completion of adjudication proceedings in the remaining 4 cases under FERA.

As reported in December, 2005

As mentioned in paragraph 4.44, out of 6 Show Cause Notices under Foreign Exchange Regulation Act/Foreign Exchange Management Act, 2 Show Cause Notices issued under Foreign Exchange Management Act have been adjudicated, out of which in one Show Cause Notice charges were dropped and in other Show Cause Notice total penalties of Rs.1.60 crores were imposed.

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			In addition, during the course of investigation of an FII i.e. J. Henry Schrodders Bank (JHSB), a Show Cause Notice under Foreign Exchange Management Act was issued to JHSB and its Custodian Bank (Deutch Bank).	
20.	9.31	The Committee recommend the following:- (i) The role of Executive Directors in charge of the Secondary Market Division and the Surveillance Division in SEBI during 1999 and 2000 needs to be critically looked into for not ensuring compliance with various actions recommended in the inspection reports of 1999 and 2000. (ii) Explanation be called for immediately from all concerned officials in SEBI who were involved in the task of inspection of CSE during 1999 and 2000 regarding their failure to detect non-inclusion of crystallised long position in the outstanding position of the brokers and action be taken for dereliction of duty. (iii) The poor attendance of SEBI nominee directors in the Board meetings of Stock Exchanges in the past puts a question mark on the efficacy of the system of nominee directors. Although SEBI has since discontinued the system, the Committee desire that the Ministry of Finance should undertake a fresh review of the system of nominee directors keeping in view the proposed demutualisation and corporatisation of stock exchanges.	As reported in May, 2003 SEBI has informed that explanation has been already sought from Executive Director (Secondary Market Department) and other officers concerned in this matter. SEBI is also obtaining the explanation of the then Executive Director in charge of Surveillance Division in 1999-2000 through his parent department. Besides, it is envisaged that upon demutualisation and corporatisation of the exchanges, there will be a majority of independent directors on the boards of each of the stock exchange. As reported in December, 2003 As against para 6.104. As reported in June, 2004 Explanations have been sought from the then ED and all concerned officials in SEBI who were involved in the task of inspection of CSE during 1999 and 2000. Replies received from them are being examined. As regards the then ED, Surveillance who was on deputation from CBDT, CBDT has been requested to take further appropriate action. A reminder has been sent on May 21, 2004 to intimate progress in the matter. As reported in December, 2004 As against para 6.104. As reported in December, 2005 As against para 6.104.	As against para 6.104.
21.	10.11	The Committee regret that the said proposals were kept pending by the	As reported in May, 2003 Department of Company Affairs have informed that proposals	With the passing of following three Bills

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for relevant amendments in the Chartered Accountants' Act, 1949 (CA Act) have been formulated. These will soon be introduced in Parliament after Government approval.

As reported in December, 2003

The Department of Company Affairs have informed that the Bills to amend the Chartered Accountants Act, 1949; the Cost Works Accountants Act, 1959 and the Company Secretaries Act, 1980 are getting ready to be introduced in Parliament.

As reported in June, 2004

The Bills to amend the Chartered Accountants Act, 1949, The Cost & Works Accountants Act 1959 and The Company Secretaries Act 1980 have been introduced in Rajya Sabha on 23.12.2003.

As reported in December, 2004

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As reported in July, 2005

The Bills to amend the Chartered Accountants Act, 1949, the Cost & Works Accountants Act, 1959 and the Company Secretaries Act, 1980 were referred to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Finance, which has tabled its reports in both the Houses of Parliament in Budget Session 2005. Notices for enactment of amendments to the said Acts are proposed to be introduced in the Parliament during the Monsoon session, 2005.

As reported in December, 2005

Bills to amend the Chartered Accountants Act 1949 the Cost & Works Accountants Act, 1959 and the Company Secretaries Act 1980 was considered by the Cabinet in its meeting held on 25.7.2005. It was decided that the matter may, in the first instance, be considered by the Group of Ministers. The said Group has deliberated the issues. The Bills are now being processed for necessary approvals prior to introduction in the Parliament.

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SI. No. Para No. Observation/Recommendation of JPC Reply of Government/Action Taken 22. 10.80 Audit is the backbone of the banking As reported in May, 2003 Recommendation in this regard has also been received from the As against para 10.11. system. Whereas auditors of commercial Naresh Chandra Committee; it is proposed to amend the CA banks are appointed by RBI, for cooperative banks, the auditors are Act, 1949. appointed by the Registrar of Cooperative With regard to action against 17 entities, reply to para No 3.18 Societies. It has, however, been noticed that the auditors in the case of the With regard to comments on the quality of the audit carried out by the auditors and comment on the handling of the issues by Madhavpura Mercantile Co-operative Bank and the City Co-operative Bank the Board of Directors, RBI has issued suitable instructions on have failed to discharge their 25th January, 2003 to the inspectors of its Regional Offices to responsibilities diligently resulting in a comment on the quality of the audit in respect of urban cosituation where there was a run on the operative banks. banks and the depositors were duped. In As reported in December 2003 ICAI has furnished the latest status as under: most cases these auditors are not qualified chartered accountants, and so a) Number of reports already included they fall outside the ambit of the Institute in the Agenda for the Council and are of the Chartered Accountants and no yet to be considered by the Council 01 disciplinary action can be taken against b) Number of hearing concluded them. Therefore, the RBI has now by the Disciplinary Committee and proposed to amend section 30 of the its report is yet to be placed before Banking Regulation Act, 1949 so that in the Council 01 future they are authorized to appoint the c) Number of cases pending with the Chartered Accountants even in the case High Court because of stay of the Co-operative banks. The obtained by the other party 01 Committee are, however, shocked to find that the Institute had failed to impose As reported in June, 2004 punishment even against a single auditor The Bill to amend the CA Act, 1949 has been introduced in Rajya of the 17 auditors whose names had Sabha on 23.12.2003. figured in the Janakiraman Committee, As regards action taken against auditors, the position has been during the investigations of 1992 scam. It explained in reply to para No.3.18. The cases are pending with is all the more disconcerting to find that the Council and in the Hon'ble Courts. These are ongoing judicial so far no concrete action has been taken processes. to amend the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India Act, 1949 with a view As reported in December 2004 to making it an effective instrument of As regards action taken against auditors, the position has been deterrence and punishment, although a explained in reply to para 3.18. proposal in this regard is reported to have been forwarded by the Institute to the As reported in July, 2005

Government way back in 1994. The As regards action taken against auditors, the position has been

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Action completed.

Committee take a serious view of such an apathetic attitude. They therefore recommend that an independent Board should be constituted under a separate statute, which should be responsible for ensuring quality in audits and also be empowered to take speedy disciplinary action against the defaulting auditors. The members of the Board should also comment on the manner in which transactions are handled, adherence to prescribed systems and procedures and whether all the risk is getting recorded and reported to the Board. Besides, RBI in their inspection reports, needs to comment on the quality of the audit carried out by the auditors and comment on the handling of the issues by the Board of Directors. In order to create a sense of responsibility amongst auditors and also to deter those who either casually/ negligently or in connivance with the management hide vital information, the penal provisions in the statute should be strengthened.

explained in reply to para No.3.18 and action on this part is complete.

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As against para 10.11.

11.33 The Committee note that 45 out of 58 prosecutions for major offenses launched/ ordered by the Department of Company Affairs (DCA) against Companies involved in the present scam relate to diversion of funds. The major reason for huge transfers of money from companies to Shri Ketan Parekh is stated to be removal of restriction on inter-corporate deposits two years ago. In order to check violations in this regard, certain suggestions are under consideration by the DCA viz., putting a cap on the number

23.

As reported in May, 2003

Proposals are under finalization, it is hoped that soon the As against para 7.4. amending Bill will be introduced in the Parliament.

As reported in December, 2003

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		of investment companies that any individual can float, prohibiting a person from being a director in more than the prescribed number of investment companies, prescribing a limit on lending/borrowing by companies, etc. The Committee hope that DCA will arrive at expeditious decisions on these suggestions and bring forth suitable amendments in the Companies Act.	the Department that instead of moving a number of official amendments to the Bill, DCA may bring a new legislation for consideration of the Cabinet. The new Comprehensive Bill is under preparation. As reported in December, 2004 As against para 7.4. As reported in July, 2005 As against para 7.4. As reported in December, 2005 As against para 7.4.	
24.	11.37	The Committee note that penalties prescribed in the Companies Act are nominal and the offenses are easily compoundable. For instance, violation of restriction on purchase of its own shares by a company under Section 77 of the Act attracts a maximum fine of Rs.10,000 even if funds involved are in crores of rupees. The penalties, therefore, need to be rationalised and prescribed as a percentage or multiple of the money involved in the offence. The Committee hope that the Shardul Shroff Committee which has been set up to look into the question of rationalising the penalties will give its recommendations soon and early action will be taken thereon.	The position has been explained against para No.11.33.	As against para 7.4.
25.	11.39	The Committee are unhappy to note that no decision was taken by the DCA on the amendments on disciplinary matters proposed by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI) two decades ago except for seeking a fresh set of proposals from ICAI in 1994 and again in 2001. Given this background, the Committee are not convinced of the DCA explanation attributing the lengthy	As reported in May, 2003 Proposals for relevant amendments in the Chartered Accountants' Act, 1949 (CA Act) have been formulated. These will soon be introduced in Parliament. As reported in December, 2003 As against para 10.11 As reported in June, 2004 The Bills to amend the Chartered Accountants Act, 1949, The Cost & Works Accountants Act 1959 and The Company	As against para 10.11. Action completed.

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disciplinary procedure followed by ICAI as the reason for the delay in taking disciplinary action against auditing entities named by the previous JPC. The Committee note that a Working Group for amending the Chartered Accountants Act, 1949 has recently given its As reported in July, 2005 recommendations which include various suggestions on disciplinary matters, particularly, the question of fixing a time frame for proceedings in disciplinary cases. The Committee stress that as proposed by DCA, amendments to the Chartered Accountants Act should be brought before Parliament in the ensuing Session.

Secretaries Act 1980 have been introduced in Rajya Sabha on 23.12.2003.

As reported in December, 2004

As against para 10.11.

As against para 10.11.

As reported in December, 2005

As against para 10.11.

26.

The Committee feel that the issue of auditor-management relationship needs to be addressed with a view to ensuring a healthy professional relationship between them. This could be achieved through rotation of auditors, restriction on nonaudit fee, etc. The DCA has since appointed Naresh Chandra Committee to examine the entire gamut of issues pertaining to auditor-company relationship. The Committee urge that the Naresh Chandra Committee should complete its work within a time frame and enable expeditious action by the Government on its recommendations. The Committee feel that the desirability of having an arrangement in DCA for scrutiny of auditors' reports of all companies on regular basis needs to be examined with a view to taking suitable action on the qualifications made by auditors in their reports.

As reported in May, 2003

The Naresh Chandra Committee has since submitted its report As against para 7.4. covering inter alia issues such as rotation of audit partners, restriction on non-audit work and random scrutiny of audited accounts. These recommendations have been under examination in the Department of Company Affairs. Proposals have been formulated as part of the amendments to the Companies Act under consideration.

As reported in December . 2003

As against para 11.33.

As reported in June. 2004

Report of Naresh Chandra Committee is under examination of the Department of Company Affairs.

As reported in December, 2004

As against para 7.4.

As reported in July, 2005

As against para 7.4.

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As against para 7.4.

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27. 12.7

12.76 The Committee find that in case No. RC.3(E)/2001, which pertains to causing a wrongful loss to the tune of Rs. 137 crore to the Bank of India, CBI has filed a charge sheet in the Court of Special Judge, Mumbai on 1.6.2001 against Shri Ketan Parekh. Shri Kartik Parekh. Shri Kirti Parekh, Shri Ramesh Parekh (the then Chairman, MMCB, Ahmedabad), Shri Davendera Pandya (MD, MMCB Ahmedabad), Shri J.B. Pandya (then Branch Manager, MMCB, Mumbai). Another case No. RC 4(E)/2001 has also been registered on the orders (dated 2.5.2001), of the Hon'ble High Court of Gujarat by CBI against Shri Ramesh Parekh, Ex-Chairman, MMCB, Shri Devendera B. Pandya, MD, MMCB and Shri Jagdish Pandya, Branch Manager, MMCB Ahmedabad U/S 120-405,406,408,409,420 IPC & U/S 35(A) of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 for conspiring together and making illegal advances to the tune of Rs. 1030.04 crores against the overall limit of Rs. 475 crores by committing breach of law and various circulars/directives/rules and regulations of RBI. The charge sheet in this case has not been filed so far. The Committee have also been informed that the Interpol reference has also been sent to Abu Dhabi for freezing the accounts of Shri Ketan Parekh maintained at Merill Lynch Bank and his alleged Swiss account is also being investigated. It has also been established that Shri Ketan Parekh had opened several accounts with the Fort Branch of GTB and carried out

As reported in May, 2003

CBI has informed that the case relating to MMCB is at an advance stage of investigation and likely to be completed shortly. Though an Interpol reference dt. 3.7.2001 had been sent to Interpol, Abu Dhabi for freezing the accounts of Ketan Parekh at Merill Lynch Bank, Abu Dhabi but the CBI had not received any response in the matter from Interpol, Abu Dhabi. The matter is being pursued with Interpol, Abu Dhabi further.

Position regarding Special Courts has been explained in reply to Para 12.74.

As reported in December, 2003

In the case relating to MMCB, field investigations in India have been completed, order of Head Office of CBI on the investigation report since been communicated to the Branch. Charge sheet would be filed shortly in the case. Though an Interpol reference dt. 3.7.2001 had been sent to Interpol, Abu Dhabi, for freezing the accounts of Ketan Parekh at Merill Lynch Bank, Abu Dhabi, but the CBI had not received any response in the matter from Interpol, Abu Dhabi. The matter is being pursued with Interpol, Abu Dhabi, further.

As reported in June, 2004

In the case relating to MMCB field investigations in India have been completed and charge sheet has been filed on 1.12.2003. Interpol reference dated 3.7.2001 had been sent to Interpol, Abu Dhabi for freezing the accounts of Ketan Parekh at Merill Lynch Bank, Abu Dhabi but the CBI had not received any response in the matter from Interpol, Abu Dhabi. The matter is being pursued with Interpol, Abu Dhabi further.

For appointment of 2 additional Judges in the Special Court, Mumbai, two more reminders were sent to Registrar General, Supreme Court of India by Secretary on 23.03.2004 and 12.05.2004.

As reported in December, 2004

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Dhabi for freezing the accounts of Ketan Parekh at Merill Lynch as an absconder. Though the arguments

The High Commission of India, Port Louis, Mauritius vide Fax Message No. OR/438/ 2/99-92 dt. 14.10.2005 informed that the date of examination of witnesses scheduled for 21st October, 2005 before their Master and Registrar, Supreme Court had been fixed for 17th Feb. 2006 upon the request of the counsel of the witnesses. The date of examination of withesses scheduled for 17th Feb. 2006 before the Master and Registrar Supreme Court, at Port Louis, has now been adjourned. This is the third consecutive adjournment taken by the witnesses at Mauritius though CBI had made arrangements for deputing D.I.G. of Police to attend the hearings.

On 7.2.06 an application was filed in the court of Hon'ble CJM. Ahemdabad praving for issuing proclamation of Sh. Darmesh Doshi as an absconder u/s 82 Cr.PC. The matter was posted to 17.2.06. The advocate of Sh. Darmesh Doshi filed an application requesting for allowing arguments by a Senior Advocate of Mumbai High Court against the application filed by CBI. On 17.2.06, an application was filed by the I.O. praying to the court to reject the request of the defence. However, the court allowed the arguments and posted the hearing on 18.3.06 for issuing proclamation. On 18.3.06 the defence advocate argued on behalf of the accused Dharmesh Doshi on the application made by the IO u/s 82 Cr.PC on 7.2.06 to declare Shri Darmesh Doshi huge transactions with some of the OCBs having a meagre paid up capital of US \$550 to US \$5000, for pumping substantial amount of money into the stock market. The exact amount of money which has been used in India after having repatriated some amount to the OCBs accounts maintained outside India. particularly at Mauritius, is still being ascertained. Detailed investigation to connect funds of MMCB to the tune of As reported in July, 2005 Rs. 1030 crores alleged to have been defrauded is also reported to be in progress. The Committee desire that the investigations in this regard should be completed expeditiously. Since the judicial process is a long drawn process, the Committee desire that the cases which have already been filed or likely to be filed in the Courts by the CBI, should be tried by the Special Courts, so that the guilty are brought to book expeditiously. The Committee hope that the issue of setting up adequate number of Special Courts will be taken with due seriousness and with a sense of urgency by the Government, and will not meet the old fate at least this time.

Bank, Abu Dhabi. Reply from Interpol Abu Dhabi has been received vide ref. No. 2/22/IP/33-217/7946 dated 13.9.2004. The authorities concerned have informed that Sh. Ketan Parekh has not maintained any accounts or deposits with Merill Lynch Bank nor have any ivestment in their country. Regarding Swiss Bank accounts of Ketan Parekh, the Swiss authorities have since intimated in December, 2002 that the Letter Rogatory sent in this matter cannot be executed because of the direction of the High Court at Zurich.

No change in the status.

As reported in December, 2005

CBI have informed that the draft charges were prepared and submitted before the Hon'ble Magistrate, Mumbai on 27.9.2005. The Hon'ble Magistrate showed inclination to frame the charges.

were concluded the defence lawyer wanted to quote certain case laws on the issue. The Hon'ble Court posted the matter to 1.4.06. On 01.04.2006, the matter was adjourned to 15.04.2006.

In response to the RCN, the Interpol London had located Shri Dharmesh Doshi at London and also account containing funds in excess of 5 million pounds pertaining to him were temporarily restrained by them in a/c No. 131039 of M/s Elliot Group Holdings Ltd. at Credit Suisse (UK) Ltd., Five Cabot Square, London, E14 4QR, London, for which the broker/agent is Shri Dharmesh Doshi in his capcity as Director M/s Jermyn Capital Partners, Plc., A Letter Rogatory was got issued on 24.3.06 addressed to the UK authorities by the CJM Ahmedabad for freezing the said account. Information was received that on 27.3.06, the Court at London ordered freezing of the said account based on the LR issued by the Court at Ahemdabad. The pointers in the LR are required to be attended by the competent authorities in UK. It has also been confirmed by the UK authorities that the said account has been frozen for operations.

Shri Ketan Parekh (A-4) has so far paid an amount of Rs. 210.5 crore to MMCB.

No change in the status.

The Committee note that the 28. 12.121 investigations against ZEE Telefilms have been inconclusive so far, as the Directorate has not yet found any FERA/ FEMA violations by the company. The Committee desire that the investigations should be pursued further with a view to

As reported in May, 2003

Enforcement Directorate has informed that investigation with regards to Zee Telefilms shall be completed by 31-5-2003.

As reported in December, 2003

The investigation is at a very advanced stage.

As reported in June, 2004

Investigations by Enforcement Directorate are in progress.

ascertaining if at all any violations were committed.

As reported in December, 2004

The investigations against M/s. Zee Telefilms have been finalized and a Show Cause Notice under the following provisions of FEMA, 1999 has been issued on 23.07.2004 to M/s. Zee Telefilms Ltd. and 6 others.

Section 6(3) of FEMA, 1999 read with Regulation 4 & 5(1) & Para 1,2 & 3 of Schedule 1 under Regulation 5(1) of Foreign Exchange Management (Transfer or issue of Security by a person resident outside India) Regulation, 2000 r/w 49(5) & 49(6) of FEMA, 1999 for unauthorisedly transferring 1,94,18,800 equity shares valued at US\$.470.589.000/- to the shareholders of M/s. ZMWL viz. Delgrada Ltd., Mauritius and Wakefield Holdings Ltd., Mauritius for acquiring 100% stake of M/s. ZMWL and also its 16127412 equity shares valued at US\$.148.255 millions and cash remittances of US\$.148.255 millions to the Star Group of companies for acquiring the 100% stake of M/s. Winterheath Company Ltd. BVI, without any proper valid permission from RBI. Section 3(d) of FEMA, 1999 r/w 49(5) & 49(6) of FEMA, 1999 for unauthorisedly transferring its 1,94,18,800 equity shares valued at US\$.470.589.000/- to the shareholders of M/s. ZMWL viz. Delgrada Ltd., Mauritius and Wakefield Holdings Ltd., Mauritius in consideration of acquiring 100% stake of M/s. ZMWL and 16127412 equity shares (of ZTL) valued at US\$.148.255 millions and cash remittance of US\$.148.255 millions to the Star Group of companies in consideration of acquiring the 100% stake of M/ s. Winterheath Company Ltd., BVI, without any valid permission from SIA/RBI.

In the aforesaid SCN, it is also proposed to issue as provided under Section 13(2) r/w 49(5) & 49(6) of FEMA, 1999 to M/s Zee Telefilms Ltd. to repartriate sale proceeds of the aforesaid shares as well as cash remittance of US\$ 148.255 millions as the same is liable to be confiscated to the Central Govt. A/c.

As reported in July, 2005

Enforcement Directorate have informed that the investigation against M/s Zee Telefilm has been completed and Show Cause Notice has been issued. Now it is pending for adjudication.

As reported in December, 2005

No change in the status.

CBDT's role is mainly confined to follow 29. 12.199

up actions after a scam. If those actions are swift the right message will go to the Stock Market. The Committee note that even after an expiry of almost a decade, the culprits of the 1992 Scam, have not been punished and the cases are still pending adjudication in the Special Courts. The only penalty so far imposed is the monetary one which is reported to be to the tune of Rs.700 crore, and that too has been imposed only on a single Group. Not a single case of Harshad Mehta Group has been finalized and although the assessments in the case of the other group viz. Bhupen Dalal Group have been finalized, no criminal proceedings have been launched against the Group. It is equally serious that against the total outstanding demand of Rs. 11.323 crore, an amount of only Rs. 2203.70 crore, including Rs. 165.70 crore in the case of Fair Growth Financial Services Ltd, has been confirmed, since a large number of cases are reported to be still pending with CIT (Appeals). Only a paltry sum of Rs. 292 crore has so far been recovered. The property worth Rs. 3106.80 crore which stands attached and which includes mostly shares has also not been disposed of despite the fact that a scheme in this respect stands approved by the Special Court as far back as in September, 2000 and a Disposal Committee headed by the custodian for

As reported in May, 2003

The Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT) have reviewed the pending cases of assessment of notified persons in a meeting taken by Member (Inv.), CBDT on 4.2.2003 and have decided that all pending cases would be disposed off by the end of May 2003. In the case of Bhupen Dalal Group, the Department has indicated that prosecution has been duly launched. However, the assessee has filed criminal revision petition before the Hon'ble High Court of Mumbai. The Court accepted the assessee's prayer of quashing the criminal proceedings untill the assessee's appeal cases are decided by the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal with the observation that if the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal dismisses the assessee's appeal the criminal prosecution shall proceed. An SLP against the said order of the Mumbai High Court is pending in Supreme Court.

The Income Tax Department has made a demand for the tax dues of notified parties for the statutory period (01.04.1991 to 06.06.1992) of Rs.3307.43 crores. So far a sum of Rs.925.84 crores has been released or is in the process of being released to Income Tax Department by the Custodian in accordance with the orders of the Special Court. The value of the property attached is variable depending upon the value of shares which keep fluctuating according to the market trends. After making payment to the Income Tax Department the value of the attached properties get reduced to that extent. Accordingly, the position assessed as on 31.12.2002 the value of attached assets is Rs.2735.32 crores. The progress of disposal of shares was slow on account of backlog and the procedures involved in the certification, registration and dematting of shares etc. and the process has now more or less been streamlined. As on date, an aggregate quantity of 2,59,45,779 shares have been sold or cleared for sale and the value of the same is Rs.464,25,53,333.74.

The Chief Justice of India has been requested to consider nominating 2 additional Judges to the Special Court for expediting

- (a) (i) Out of the total priority demand as defined by the Hon'ble Supreme Court, a sum of Rs. 1.397.28 crores has been recovered by various releases by the Hon'ble Special Court. Out of this Rs. 1.225.90 crores has been released in Harshad Mehta group and Rs. 169.83 crores in Dalal Group. The balance outstanding priority demand for the priority period is Rs. 2,348.10 crores. However, it may be pointed out here that Hon'ble Special Court under (TORTS) Act, 1992 disposing miscellaneous applications has ordered that the department shall deposit amounts with the Custodian (TORTS) Act, 1992 out of amounts released to the Department. In view of this, the balance outstanding demand for the priority period would stand increased by 19.57 crores so brought back to the Court.
- (ii) A total of 215 appeals related to the scam cases have been disposed off by the ITAT upto 20th Feb. 2006. Out of the above, orders have been received in 181 cases. There are five appeals pending before CIT (Appeals) pertaining to the priority period.
- (b) (i) In the case of M/s Fairgrowth Financial Services Ltd., the assessee filed

its proper implementation, was also constituted.

the cases pending before the Special Court.

As reported in December, 2003

With regard to matters relating to Securities Scam of 1992, as against 87 appeals pending on 1.1.03, 79 appeals have since been disposed off and only 8 are pending.

As reported in June, 2004

CBDT has informed that all scam related assessments have been finalized in respect of Harshad Mehta Group of Cases for the assessment year 1992-93 and 1993-94 (priority period/statutory period as held by the Supreme Court in its judgement dated 13th May, 1998). The total recovery made in this case so far comes to Rs. 1227.43 crore, on the basis of decision/order by the Hon'ble Supreme Court and Hon'ble Special Court.

With regard to the latest position in the case of M/s Fairgrowth Financial Services, the outstanding demand as on 30th April, 2004 was Rs. 143.44 crore. While Rs. 24.64 crore of this demand relates to A.Y. 1993-94 and earlier, which constituted the notified period, the balance demand relates to post-notification period. During May 2004, a further collection of Rs. 12.5 crore by way of remittance from the office of the custodian was received as per order issued by the Hon'ble Special Court. Hence the net outstanding demand as on 31.5.2004 is Rs. 130.94 crore.

With the receipt of this final instalment of Rs. 12.5 crore, the a claim has been made by the Assessing entire amount released by the Hon'ble Special Court to the Income Tax Department vide Court's order dated 2.5.2002 has been fully received. Consequent to notification of M/s Fairgrowth Financial Services as a notified party under the Special Court (TORTS) Act. 1992 w.e.f. 2.7.1992, all assets of the assessee company passed into the custody of the custodian of Special Court. Since that time, the custodian has with this specific orders from the Special Court disposed of various assets of the company, the proceeds of which have been applied to discharge the liabilities of the assessee company as per the orders of the Hon'ble Special Court. Mumbai.

Out of the eight appeals pending in the cases pertaining to the Securities Scam of 1992, three appeals relating to Shri A.D. Narottam could not be heard by the CIT (A), as the assessee is currently behind bars. As regards four appeals relating to Shri hearing before the Hon'ble Special Court.

restoration application for the AYs 1991-92 to 94-95 which was restored by the ITAT vide its order dated 11.4.2005. Appeal before the High Court has been filed against the said order.

- (ii) The miscellaneous application filed by the Department in MA No. 693 of 2004 and No. 222 of 1996 has been decided by the Hon'ble Special Court. The Court has permitted to withdraw the Miscellaneous Application No. 693 of 2004 with liberty to take out fresh application for the same relief. As regards MA No. 222 of 1996 the Hon'ble Court has directed the custodian to consider it at the time of distribution u/s 11(2)(iii) of the Special Court Act.
- In response to the Public Notice given in the Economic Times, dated 29.10.2005 calling for claims against persons involved in 1992 securities scam, Officer before the Custodian. The Custodian had filed a Miscellaneous Application before the Special Court seeking permission to dispose off the assets of the Notified Party. The Assessing Officer is also a Respondent in the said Miscellaneous Application. The Assessing Officer has filed an Affidavit before the Special Court requesting the Special Court to make payment of the outstanding income tax dues in the assesee's case. The Miscellaneous Application was filed for hearing on 27.2.2006. The Assessing Officer went to Mumbai to attend the

B.C. Dalal, two of these appeals have been disposed of. In the two appeals pending in this case, remand reports have been called for by the CIT (A) from the Assessing Officers. As regards the appeal in the case of Shri S. Ramaswamy, here again remand report has been called for by the CIT (A). Figure of collection/reduction of priority demand in these cases are mentioned below:

		(Amount in crores)	
S.	Name of assessee	Collection/ Reduction	_
No		of Prioirty Demand	
1	Jitendra R. Shroff	Nil	_
2.	A.D. Narottam	0.22	
3	Bhupen C. Dalal	0.64	
4.	Hiten P. Dalal	28.51	
5.	S. Ramaswamy	0.05	
6.	J.P. Gandhi	Nil	
7.	T.B. Ruia	Nil	
8.	M/s Dhanraj Mills	Nil	

However, the matter was adjourned to 6.3.2006. The AO attended the Court on 6.3.2006 also but the matter did not come up for hearing before the Court.

(iv) The Assessing Officer is closely monitoring the proceedings in the case and all care is being taken to furnish all necessary details/documents etc. before the Special Court as well as the ITAT, Bangalore.

As reported in December, 2004

The total priority demand as defined by the Hon'ble Supreme Court while interpreting the provisions of special court (TORTS) Act, 1992 is Rs. 2346.55 crore in the case of Harshad Mehta group and Dalal group. The remaining demand is a non-priority demand.

Pursuant to the special court (TORTS) Act, 1992 all the assets of Harshad S. Mehta and other notified parties have been attached by the custodian. The recovery of income tax dues in respect of these notified parties is subject to the release of funds by the special court/custodian.

The special court in its order dated 22.2.1995, inter alia, held that the priority years for distribution of assets to the IT Department are in respect of assessment year 1992-93 and 1993-94 (part). The priority demand u/s 11 (2)(a) of the special court (TORTS) Act 1992 is available to the IT Department only for tax demands raised and would not include interest and penalty even in respect of assessment year 1992-93 and 1993-94 (part). Assessments for these assessment years have been completed in the cases of all the notified persons. So far as non-priority

demands are concerned, it can be recovered out of the attached assets only u/s 11(2)(c) of the special court (TORTS) Act, 1992. There is a total prohibition on the Department to recover the taxes directly from the notified persons. All recovery matters are dependent on the special court adjudicating upon the rights and claims of various parties including the Income Tax Department. The Department has been moving miscellaneous applications before the special court for release of funds towards the recovery of priority demand on interim basis because in the normal course, the recovery even of the priority income tax demand is directly linked with the distribution of assets lying attached with the custodian. Such assets can be distributed only when the special court finally determines the distribution. During the last eight years, the special court has been releasing funds against some of the outstanding demands to the Department. The release of funds involves a lot of efforts by the officers in the field formations. The total recovery made in Harshad Mehta group and Dalal group comes to Rs. 1396.30 crore.

In respect of the last interim release of Rs. 421.59 crore pursuant to the order dated 3.10.2003 of the Hon'ble special court, the SBI has gone in an appeal before the Hon'ble Supreme Court. The SBI also approached the Committee on Disputes, Cabinet Secretariat. The Committee on Disputes has directed as follows: "(a) SBI and the Department of Revenue would move the Specail Court as early as possible to initiate the process of final/part final distribution of the funds under Section 11(2) of the Special Courts (TORT) Act, 1992;

- (b) During the interim period, i.e., pending the finalization of claims, neither SBI nor Department of Revenue would make or press any application before the Special Court seeking interim payments out of the funds with the Custodian: and
- (c) SBI would take expeditious steps to seek permission of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India to withdraw Civil Appeal No. 8228 of 2003."

It may kindly be seen from above, that the CoD has directed that neither SBI, nor Department of Revenue would make or press any application before the special court, seeking interim payments out of the funds with the custodian and have directed the SBI and Department of Revenue to move the special court for speeding up initiation of the process of final distribution of funds u/s 11(2) of the special court (TORTS) Act, 1992. The Department has now to await the final distribution u/s 11(2) of the special court (TORTS) Act, 1992. That process may take a couple of years more.

The appeal filed by the SBI before the Hon'ble Supreme Court was last heard on 6.8.2004 by the Hon'ble Chief Justice of India, Mr. Justice Lahoti and Mr. Justice Mathur. The Hon'ble Supreme Court did not entertain the appeals filed by the SBI in view of the directions given by the CoD in the matter. The learned ASG appearing on behalf of the Income Tax Department having submitted that the Revenue Department has made some representations in the matter before CoD which is awaiting consideration, the Hon'ble Supreme Court have recorded the following clarifications in the order:-

"We make it clear that the disposal of these appeals would not preclude the consideration of any representation before the CoD and such decision thereon as the CoD may be inclined to take." In view of the decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court and the CoD's directions, the process of final distribution u/s 11(2) of the special court (TORTS) Act, 1992 is going to take time. The custodian and the court first have to ascertain the total assets and liabilities of the notified parties. The process is in a nascent stage as of now and is likely to take quite a few years.

As per the submissions made on behalf of the Income Tax Department before the Law Courts and also before the CoD, the SBI has no locus standi to dispute Income Tax Department's claim before the special court, particularly when it is the matter of ad hoc interim release of funds.

In view of the above, necessary steps are being taken to get the CoD's directions modified so that after following the due process of law, Department may be in a position to make further collection/Recovery.

There are five appeals pending before CIT (Appeals) pertaining to the priority period. Due to the substantial revenue involved in the Harshad Mehta group, Bhupen Dalal group and other connected cases involved in the securities scam of 1992, the Senior VicePresident, ITAT and the President, ITAT were requested to appoint a designated bench to deal with the cases related to the security scam. Pursuant to such request, the ITAT has assigned major high demand cases to a single bench. Moreover, after appreciating the urgency of the matter the ITAT has distributed the other cases relating to security scam to various benches. The Department has also undertaken a number of steps like appointing two standing counsels exclusively for scam related cases, as well as monitoring at the level of CCIT and CIT and utilization of the services of CIT (Appeals) for assisting the standing counsel. Also, personal participation of the Assessing Officer and the Addl. CIT in the hearings before the ITAT has enabled completion of hearing in 125 cases, out of which orders have been received in 48 cases. There are no penalties that are pending for disposal for the priority period in the case of notified persons.

M/s Fairgrowth Financial Services Ltd.

The pending appeals in the case of M/s Fairgrowth Financial Services Ltd. for assessment year 1991-92 to 1994-95 were disposed of by the ITAT vide its order dated 28.7.2004. All the appeals filed by the assesee have been dismissed by the Tribunal along with the cost of Rs. 4 lakh, @ Rs. 50,000 per appeal. At the same time, the appeals filed by the Revenue have been allowed by the Tribunal. An additional demand of Rs. 97.71 crore has been created after giving appeal effect to ITAT's order for assessment year 1993-94, which allowed the Department's appeal. Due to this additional demand, the net outstanding demand as on 31.10.2004 has increased to Rs. 226.22 crore. The Department has filed miscellaneous petitions before the Hon'ble Special Court praying for further release of money towards tax u/s 11(2)(a) of the Special Court (TORTS) Act 1992 and u/s 11(2)(c) of the Special Court (TORTS) Act, 1992 for release of money towards interest. The said petitions have been admitted as MA No. 79/2004. The matter is likely to be taken up by the Hon'ble Court in the second half of November, 2004.

A copy of the bank account mentioned in the custodian's application has been obtained from the bank and action is being taken to withdraw the recognition granted to Fairgrowth Financial

Services Ltd. Employees Provident Fund under the provisions of the IT Act.

As reported in July, 2005

CBDT have informed that out of the total priority demand, as defined by the Hon'ble Supreme Court, a sum of Rs. 1397.28 crores has been recovered by various releases by the Hon'ble Special Court. Out of this, Rs. 1227.45 crores has been released in Harshad Mehta Group and Rs. 169.83 crores in Dalal Group. The balance outstanding priority demand for the priority period is Rs. 2346.55 crores.

Regarding pendency of appeals before the ITAT, a total of 151 cases relating to the scam cases have been disposed off by the ITAT up to 30.4.2005 (Orders have been received in 104 cases so far). Out of this, 82 cases belong to the Harshad Mehta group and 22 cases belong to Dalal Group. There are five appeals pending before CIT (Appeals) pertaining to the priority period.

The Committee of Disputes has decided on the reference made by the SBI and has directed as follows: -

- (a) SBI and the Department of Revenue would move the Special Court as early as possible to initiate the process of final/part final distribution of the funds under Section 11(2) of the Special Courts (TORT) Act, 1992.
- (b) During the interim period i.e. pending the finalisation of claims, neither SBI nor Department of Revenue would make or press any application before the Special Court seeking interim payments out of the funds with the Custodian and SBI would take expeditious steps to seek permission of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India to withdraw Civil Appeal No. 8228 of 2003.

The CBDT again proposes to move CoD, seeking clearance, in order to press forth its claim for release of interim funds before the Hon'ble Special Court.

As regards M/s Fairgrowth Financial Services, it has been stated

that the miscellaneous application No. 693 has been adjourned sine die till the decision of the Tribunal is received in the matter of restoration application filed by the assessee. It may be mentioned that the restoration application filed by the assessee has already been heard by the tribunal, and the order of the tribunal is awaited.

Similarly, miscellaneous application No. 79 of 2004, filed by the ex-employees of M/s Fairgrowth Financial services Ltd. has also been adjourned till the Court reopens after the summer vacation. Further, the Custodian has been informed about the latest position as regards the demand outstanding in this case.

As reported in December, 2005

Out of the total priority demand as defined by the Hon'ble Supreme Court, a sum of Rs. 1397.28 crores had been recovered by various releases by the Hon'ble Special Court. The balance outstanding priority demand for the priority period is Rs. 2,346.55 crores. However, the Hon'ble Special Courts, under (TORTS) Act, 1992 while disposing miscellaneous application has ordered that the Department shall deposit amounts with the Custodians (TORTS) Act, 1992 out of amounts released earlier to the Department. As a result of this order of the Special Court, an amount of Rs. 18,02,80,253/- has been refunded and deposited with the Custodian. In view of this, the demand in respect of the priority period stands increased to this extent. The above amount includes the interest component as well. The CCIT (Central)-II, Mumbai has been directed to seek appropriate legal recourse regarding the rate at which interest has been ordered to be paid by the Income Tax Department.

A total of 176 appeals related to the scam cases have been disposed off by the ITAT up to 30.10.2005. Out of the above, orders have been received in 142 cases. There are five appeals pending before CIT (Appeals) pertaining to the priority period. In the case of M/s Fair Growth Financial Services Ltd., the company has filed restoration application for the assessment years 1991-92 to 1994-95. The Hon'ble Tribunal has restored

the said appeals through its order dated 11.4.2005. Appeals have been filed before the Hon'ble High Court. Meanwhile, the ITAT has fixed the hearing of the restored appeals.

The Miscellaneous Application filed by the Department in MA No. 693 of 2004 had come up for hearing on 5.10.2005. The Department had filed miscellaneous application seeking further payment towards increased tax demand consequent to the ITAT's order. However, the ITAT has recalled its order. Therefore, the demand has become unenforceable at present. The Court directed the Assessing Officer to re-file the M.A. after ITAT decides the recalled appeal. The Court's detailed order is awaited.

The Assessing Officer is closely monitoring the proceedings in the case and all necessary details/documents etc. are being furnished before the Special Court as well as the ITAT, Bangalore.

As reported in May, 2003

The SEBI (Amendment) Act, 2002 has enhanced the existing level of penalties prescribed for violations of the Act. Moreover, penalty for new violations has been included with a view to strengthen the existing mechanism to act as an effective deterrent to violations of the Act.

SEBI has a mechanism to redress investor grievances. Courts can take cognizance of the offences under the Act only on a complaint of the Board. In addition to the efforts of SEBI, an Investor Redressal Cell is functional in the Department of Economic Affairs. Moreover, the Department of Company Affairs and all the Stock exchanges address investor grievances. Individual investors can be compensated upto the limits prescribed from the Investor Protection Fund set up under the bye-laws of the Stock exchanges.

As regards concept of Ombudsman SEBI, has already prepared a draft concept paper on Ombudsman. The whole issue of powers, duties and responsibilities of Ombudsman is also being discussed in the Legal Advisory Committee set up by SEBI which

The Special Court designated to try the offences under Securities Laws has started functioning in Delhi. As regards establishing Speical Court in Mumbai, the proposal for allocation of funds for setting up of Special Court is pending with Government of Maharashtra. It is learnt from the officials of Ministry of Law, Government of Maharashtra that the current Budget Session of Assembly has approved the allocation of funds for setting up of two designated/special courts in Mumbai for trying the complaints filed by the SEBI and necessary notifications would be issued in due course.

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14.60 There also appears to be a need to have an independent look at resolution of investor complaints against companies and market intermediaries. The Committee recommend that the concept of Ombudsman, which is already being used in the banking sector, should also be extended to the capital market. The issue of power, duties and responsibilities of the Ombudsman should be suitably worked out. As regards investor complaints against Brokers and other market intermediaries, arbitration councils at exchange level can be used for resolution of investor complaints. Such bodies would be independent of market intermediaries, particularly the brokers. The Committee are of the opinion that ultimately Special Courts dealing exclusively with the investor complaints of the financial sector would be a real solution to the expeditious disposal of complaints. Such courts could have jurisdiction for all kinds of financial irregularities, frauds in the case of the capital market, chit funds, NBFCs, plantation companies, etc.

is headed by a Supreme Court Justice Mr. Hon'ble Venkatachaliah.

To the Venkatachaliah Legal Advisory Committee issue on investor grievance redressal has also been referred.

As reported in December, 2003

The SEBI (Ombudsman) Regulations 2003 have been notified on 21st August 2003.

Regarding the arbitration councils, it was decided that the provision of the rules or articles of association, as the case may be, and bye-laws of the stock exchanges shall provide that in respect of dispute between members and non-members, the arbitration committees/ arbitration councils / arbitration panels shall consist of persons other than members of the stock exchange who shall be nominated with prior approval of the Board.

Accordingly, the exchanges vide circular SEBI/SMD/SE/Cir- 19/2003/02/06 dated June 2, 2003 were directed to make necessary amendments to the rules or Article of Association / byelaws for the implementation of the above decision within two months from the date of circular.

The exchanges were also directed to reconstitute the arbitration committees/ arbitration councils/ arbitration panels for the resolution of disputes between members and non-members, in the manner specified above, within a period of three months from the date of the circular.

As reported in June, 2004

Chairman, SEBI has written a letter dated 04 March, 2004 to the Chief Justice of the Bombay High Court for allocating all SEBI cases in Mumbai to a designated Court. This letter has been written based on the positive response received from the Registrar, BHC, Principal Secretary, Finance Department and Principal Secretary, Law and Judiciary of the Government of Maharashtra.

As reported in December, 2004

In response to our proposal for designated court, SEBI received a letter dated May 13, 2004 from Shri R.C.Chavan, Registrar General, Mumbai High Court, addressed to the Principal Secretary & R.L.A., Government of Maharashtra, Mumbai and copy marked

to them, vide which they have requested for sanctioning a post of Metropolitan Magistrate and a post of Judge, City Civil and Sessions Court, exclusively for SEBI cases. The matter is now under consideration before the Government of Maharashtra.

A similar proposal/request has been given to the Hon'ble Chief Justice of Delhi High Court for setting up of a designated Court for dealing with SEBI cases. The response in this regard is awaited.

For the purpose of appointing the Ombudsman SEBI has issued advertisement. The last date for submitting application was 08.03.04. The applications received have been scrutinized by HRD and 15 applicants have been shortlisted. The interviews for selection will be held shortly.

As reported in July, 2005

Interviews for the post of Ombudsman were held in the month of December 2004 and further action is under process.

For the cost and expenses of the office of the Ombudsman the matter was discussed by Legal Advisory Committee of SEBI at its meeting held on 29.6.2003 when the Committee was of the view that the cost of administering the ombudsman scheme should be met through the Investors Education and Protection Fund established under section 205C of the Companies Act, 1956 and hence SEBI should approach the Central Government for allocating appropriate amount out of the said fund.

After approval by the Board, SEBI requested the Central Government on 18.6.04 to allocate necessary funds from the Investors Education and Protection Fund constituted under section 205 C of the Companies Act. However, in the meeting of the Committee of IEPF held on 28.10.04, the Committee has rejected the proposal of SEBI for funding from IEPF.

Vide circular No. SEBI/SMD/SE/CIR-19/2003/02/06 dated 02.06.03, SEBI directed the stock exchanges to make necessary amendments to their rules, bye laws etc in this regard. All the stock exchanges have implemented the provisions of the circular.

Vide letter No. LGL/DNR/3402/03 dated 11.02.03, SEBI had requested Central Government to take necessary steps for establishment of Special Courts. The internal Group of SEBI has also suggested amendments in the SEBI Act in this regard.

MUMBAI

The Maharashtra Government has decided to set up a Special Court for SEBI cases and has also decided to allocate Rs.18 Lakh per year for the setting up of Special Court in Mumbai. The proposal for allocation of funds for setting up of Special Court is pending with Government of Maharashtra.

DELHI

The Delhi High Court vide its order dated 1.12.04 ordered for transfer of all SEBI prosecution cases pending in different courts in Delhi to a court of Additional Session Judge. In pursuance of the said order the Session Judge, Delhi vide order dated December 3, 2004 transferred all SEBI prosecution cases to the Court of Ms. Asha Menon, Additional Session Judge, Delhi. The Special Court designated to try offences under Securities Laws has started functioning in Delhi.

As reported in December, 2005

The proposal for allocation of funds for setting up Special Court in Mumbai is pending with Government of Maharashtra.

The Committee note that the UTI 16.21 management sanctioned inter-scheme transfers to boost the income and liquidity of some schemes, that these decisions were not taken by individual fund managers but by the Chairman and Executive Directors and that brokerage was paid on these transfers in violation of UTI's own guidelines. The Committee find Sh. Subramanyam's explanations regarding these transactions unacceptable and since these decisions were taken and ratified by him, he must

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As reported in May, 2003

The Administrator of the Specified Undertaking of UTI has No change in the status. referred the matter to the internal Vigilance Cell for examining the role of officials who were party to sanctioning the inter scheme transfers (IST) in violation of UTI's laid down policy guidelines on IST. Inquiry is in progress.

As reported in December, 2003

The internal Vigilance Cell of Specified Undertaking of Unit Trust of India is examining the transactions for the purpose of determining accountability of individual officials and frame charges as may be applicable. Considering the large number and complex nature of transactions involved that have to be

be dealt with in accordance with law. The Committee also recommend that UTI take action against other officials who were party to sanctioning inter-scheme transfers in violation of the policy guidelines regarding inter-scheme transfers laid down by the Board of Trustees.

scrutinized, Specified Undertaking of Unit Trust of India is expected to take some more time to complete the enquiry.

As reported in June, 2004

Over 15,000 transactions identified as ISTs besides 133 transactions routed through stock exchanges/brokers having the characteristics of ISTs have been examined. The investigation report is currently under preparation.

As reported in December, 2004

An enquiry was carried out by the internal vigilance cell in pursuance of the recommendation of the JPC in Para 16.21 and 17.14 of their report. The Vigilance Report alongwith the Report of the JPC and Tarapore Committee Reports have been referred for the recommendation of the Board Level Committee on August 24, 2004 by SUUTI for recommending further course of action. The recommendations of the Board Level Committee are awaited by SUUTI.

As reported in July, 2005

The Board Level Committee have recommended that the officers be well advised to conduct themselves in a manner that will prevent recurrence of any such action in the cases referred. The Committee have recommended issue of warning letters to many employees/ex-employees who did not exercise due diligence in their working, but did not contribute to decision making process in these cases. Accordingly, with the approval of the Competent Authority, case against those employees has been closed. The Committee has not taken any view on the role played by the then Chairman, Shri P.S. Subramanyam.

SUUTI have been requested to place the matter before the Board of Advisors in the next metting.

As reported in December, 2005

No change in the status.

should conduct a review of instances of Administrator, UTI-I has informed that the matter has already No change in the status. investments going into default within a been referred to the internal Vigilance Cell for reviewing the said

short period of their sanction indicating possible deficiencies in the investment decision-making process, Investments and Fresh Exposures in companies classified as NPAs, Investments made in one company of the group while there was already a default in another company of the same group, payment of brokerage on inter-scheme transactions and applications for acquisition of shares at rates higher than the prevailing market rate as identified by the Tarapore Committee. As a part of this review, it should isolate instances where there has been a violation of administrative procedures or due diligence and conduct time bound departmental enquiries in such cases. The Committee also recommend that UTI formalize a comprehensive investment policy.

instances of investments as reported by Tarapore Committee. Regarding formalizing a comprehensive investment-policy, the position has been clarified in reply to Para 15.9.

As reported in December, 2003

Inquiry by the Internal Vigilance Cell is in progress.

As repoted in June, 2004

The vigilance enquiry has been completed in the case of M/s. Kopran Ltd. and departmental proceedings have been ordered by the Administrator. Besides, three cases, viz. Essar Steel Ltd., Jindal Vijaynagar Steel and DSQ Software were in the list of cases earlier referred to the Advisory Board on Banking, Commercial and Financial Frauds (ABBCFF) in line with the recommendations of the Tarapore Committee. These cases have now been referred to SEBI for enquiry. The outcome of these enquiries is awaited. The vigilance enquiry in respect of the remaining cases is in progress.

As repoted in December, 2004

Of the 20 cases identified under this category, vigilance enquiry has been completed in the case of M/s. Kopran Ltd. The Board of Directors of UTI AMC and Advisory Board of SUUTI, in their meetings held on March 26, 2004 approved the formation of a Board level committee which will study the vigilance reports, JPC report and Tarapore Committee report and all relevant material and recommend the further course of action. The findings of the investigation have, therefore, been referred for the recommendation of the Committee.

In addition, seven cases, viz. Essar Steel, Jindal Vijaynagar Steel, DSQ Software, Elbee Services, Dewan Housing Finance, Rama Phosphates and Jenson & Nicholson which also figure in the list of 89 companies identified by the Tarapore Committee, have been referred to SEBI for enquiry by the Government of India. The outcome of these enquiries by SEBI is awaited. In order to avoid duplication, further action will be pursued on the basis of SEBI's findings. The vigilance enquiry in respect of remaining cases is in progress.

As repoted in July, 2005

Of the 20 cases identified under this category, vigilance enquiry

identified by Tarapore Committee have been referred to SEBI for inquiry DSQ Software and Numero Uno International are included in the list of 89 companies. Position regarding Numero Uno International has also been explained in reply to para 16.53.

The recommendations require a thorough examination of the

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			has been completed in two cases, viz. M/s. Kopran Ltd. and M/s. Ganesh Benzoplast Ltd. The vigilance findings in respect of M/	
			s. Kopran Ltd. have been examined by the Board Level	
			Committee and they have recommended issue of warning letters	
			to employees/ex-employees who did not exercise due diligence	
			in their working, but did not contribute to decision making process	
			in the case. Accordingly, with the approval of the Competent	
			Authority, case against those employees has been closed. The	
			Committee has not taken any view on the role played by the then	
			Chairman, Shri P.S. Subramanyam.	
			SUUTI have been requested to place the matter before the Board	
			of Advisiors in the next meeting.	
			The vigilance findings in respect of M/s. Ganesh Benzoplast Ltd.	
			will be referred to the Board Level Committee.	
			In addition, seven cases, viz. Essar Steel, Jindal Vijaynagar Steel,	
			DSQ Software, Elbee Services, Dewan Housing Finance, Rama	
			Phosphates and Jenson & Nicholson which also figure in the list	
			of 89 companies identified by the Tarapore Committee, have been	
			referred to SEBI for enquiry. As reported in December, 2005	
			No change in the status.	
			The shange in the states.	
33.	16.29	Based on their examination of written and	As reported in May, 2003	
		oral evidence of the off market investment	These cases were referred to the Advisory Board on Banking,	Out of 88 companies inspe
		in the shares of DSQ Software and	Commercial and Financial Frauds (ABBCFF) in line with the	have been received in re
		Numero Uno International, the Committee	recommendations of the Tarapore Committee. Further action is	companies. SEBI is examin
		agree that both decisions were	under consideration of the Government.	
		detrimental to the interests of UTI and its investors.	As reported in December, 2003 As recommended by JPC in para 16.37, cases of Secondary	
		IIIVESIUIS.	Market transactions of UTI in the shares of 89 companies	
			indirect transactions of our in the shares of ob companies	

As reported in June, 2004

s inspection reports d in respect of 65 examining the same. investment/divestment decisions made by erstwhile UTI in 89 companies (88 cos., 1 name repeated) (identified by the Tarapore Committee) during the period 1992-1993 to 2000-2001, inter-alia, in light of the internal norms prevailing in the UTI at the time of investment / divestment (as required under the procedure of Tarapore Committee) and responsibility be fixed for any incidents of criminal nexus, viz., broker-UTI dealer nexus, front running, benchmarking etc. SEBI had written to the GOI for appointing a team of Chartered Accountants for the purpose to which Government has conveyed their consent. Accordingly, SEBI has appointed a team of 17 Chartered Accountants to carry out the necessary examinations. The auditors have been chosen from the RBI panel based on certain specific criteria. A detailed guidance note has also been given to the auditors alongwith specific terms of reference and the reporting format. The auditors were advised to get in touch with the office of the Administrator, Specified Undertaking of the Unit Trust of India (SUUTI) and commence the assignment. Further, they were advised to maintain strict confidentiality in all respect of the assignment.

As reported in December, 2004

All the audit firms have commenced the audit work in respect of all 88 companies.

As reported in July, 2005

The audit is in progress.

As reported in December, 2005

43 inspection reports have been received from 09 audit firms. SEBI is examining the same.

34. 16.31 Though the ERC was set up in 1997, it is only during Shri Subramanyam's tenure from September 1998 that onwards the ERC's comments were overlooked. This is further compounded by the fact that in all these cases UTI's investment portfolio depreciated after the investment. In the specific case of Cyberspace Infosys the

As reported in May, 2003

The Administrator of the Specified Undertaking of UTI has referred the matter to the internal Vigilance Cell for examining the role of officials who were party to sanctioning the inter scheme transfers in violation of UTI's laid down policy guidelines on IST. Inquiry is in progress.

As reported in December, 2003

specific case of Cyberspace Infosys, the Out of 15 companies, identified under this category, vigilance inquiry

No change in the status.

ERC's comments were first accepted and subsequently reversed to clear the investment. Worse, there are cases (one of which, Numero Uno International, has been examined by Tarapore Committee in detail) in which the ERC's recommendations were not taken at all. In the light of this, the explanation of Sh. Subramanyam is not convincing. All this clearly indicates that the decisions to bypass the ERC's recommendations were not in the interest of UTI. Given the fact that in all these cases, UTI's investments have recorded a decline, the decisions were prima facie wrong and possibly malafide. The Committee recommend that UTI conduct a departmental vigilance enquiry regarding the decisions where the ERC's views have not been taken or the ERC's views have been overruled to ascertain whether the decisions were taken after following proper procedures or were arbitrarily made without due diligence. The Committee recommend suitable action against officials who are found to be involved in arbitrary decision making. The Committee also recommend that the delegation of authority to make investment decisions in UTI should be decentralised and a comprehensive investment policy should be formalised.

in respect of 4 companies is completed. The companies are (a) Cyberspace Infosys, (b) Broadcast Worldwide, (c) Shonkh Technologies and (d) Padmini Polymer. On the basis of the vigilance findings, Departmental proceedings have been initiated against two of the officials involved viz. (Shri S.K. Basu, Executive Director [under suspension] and Smt. Prema Madhu Prasad, General Manager) and an ex-official [Shri S.K. Saha, Chief General Manager], a part of whose terminal benefits are with held by the UTI Asset Management Company for their role in transactions in Cyberspace Infosys. Formal complaints have been lodged by SUUTI with the Central Bureau of Investigation in respect of the transactions in Broadcast Worldwide, Padmini Polymers and Shonkh Technologies Ltd.

As reported in June, 2004

Out of 15 companies, vigilance inquiry in respect of 5 companies is completed. The companies are (a) Cyberspace Infosys, (b) Broadcast Worldwide, (c) Shonkh Technologies, (d) Padmini Polymer, and (e) Ambica Agarbattis & Aroma Industries. The inquiry is in progress in respect of 2 more cases. On the basis of the vigilance findings. Departmental proceedings have been initiated against two of the officials involved viz. (Shri S K Basu, Executive Director [under suspension] and Smt. Prema Madhu Prasad, General Manager and an ex-official [Shri S K Saha, Chief General Manager], a part of whose terminal benefits are with the UTI-Asset Management Company, for their role in transactions in Cyberspace Infosys. Formal complaints have been lodged by the SUUTI with the Central Bureau of Investigation in respect of the transactions in Broadcast Worldwide, Padmini Polymers and Shonkh Technologies Ltd. FIR has been registered by CBI in respect of M/s. Padmini Polymers Ltd. and M/s. Shonkh Technologies Ltd. Departmental proceedings have been ordered against officials in all cases. The Board of Directors of the UTI AMC and Advisory Board of SUUTI in their meetings held on March 26,2004 approved the formation of a Board level committee which will study the vigilance reports, JPC reports and Tarapore Committee reports and all relevant material and recommend the course of action.

As reported in December, 2004

Out of 15 companies, vigilance inquiry in respect of 7 companies is completed. The Vigilance Report in respect of five companies, alongwith the Report of the JPC and Tarapore Committee Report have been referred for the recommendation of the Board Level Committee on August 24, 2004 by SUUTI. The recommendations of the Board Level Committee are awaited by SUUTI.

In one case, viz. Geometric Software Solutions Ltd., no case sustainable from the vigilance angle could be made out. The vigilance report in respect of other company is under consideration of SUUTI. Besides, two companies (Marwar Hotels and Gujarat Adani Port) are being examined by the SEBI appointed auditors. Vigilance enquiry in respect of transactions relating to the remaining six companies is in progress.

As reported in July, 2005

Out of 15 companies, vigilance inquiry in respect of 10 companies is completed and the reports submitted. The investigation report is finalised in respect of one more company. The Board Level Committee has examined the vigilance findings in five out of the ten cases submitted. The Committee have recommended as under:

- 1. The Committee have not taken any view on the role played by the then Chairman, Shri P.S. Subramanyam.
- 2. As regards Shri S.K. Basu, under suspension, the Committee have recommended that the Competent Authority may take appropriate action.
- 3. As regards Shri S.K. Saha, ex-CGM, his retirement benefits are withheld. The Committee has recommended that the Competent Authority may take appropriate action.
- As regards, Smt. Prema Madhu Prasad, GM, the Committee
 has recommended that the Competent Authority may take
 appropriate action for her role in case of M/s. Cyberspace
 Infosys Ltd.; warning letter to be issued for her role in case
 of M/s. Broadcast Worldwide Ltd.
- As regards other employees who did not contribute to decision making process in these cases, the Committee have recommended issue of warning letters for not exercising due

(a) Price volume data on scrips, annual reports, transactions done

by particular brokers etc., counterparties, reasons for certain

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the absence of any laid down guidelines for dealer authority and stop-loss limits to liquidate loss making positions, the absence of any documentation of the rationale for secondary market transactions in particular shares, the concentration of power for both fund management as well as dealing room As reported in December, 2003 Cases of Secondary Market transactions of UTI in the shares of 89 companies identified by Tarapore Committee have been referred to SEBI for enquiry. As reported in December, 2004 The position has been explained against Para No.16.29. As reported in December, 2004 The corrective action taken in respect of systems, procedures,			. ,	<u> </u>
of Advisiors in the next meeting. The vigilance findings in respect of the five other completed cases stand referred to the Board Level Committee. Two companies (Marwar Hotels and Gujarat Adani Port) are being examined by the SEBI appointed auditors. Vigilance enquiry in respect of transactions relating to the remaining two companies is in progress. As reported in December, 2005 No change in the status. As reported in May, 2003 The matter is under consideration of the Government. As reported in December, 2003 Cases of Secondary Market transactions of UTI in the shares of 89 companies identified by Tarapore Committee have been referred to SEBI for enquiry. As reported in June, 2004 The position has been explained against Para No.16.29. As reported in December, 2003 The matter is under consideration of the Government. As against para 16 As against para 16 As reported in June, 2004 The position has been explained against Para No.16.29. As reported in December, 2004 The corrective action taken in respect of systems, procedures,			officials have been closed with the approval of the Competent	
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any security system to preserve the confidentiality of the dealing room's voice recording mechanism lead the Committee to conclude that the absence of laid down procedures for secondary market transactions allowed the UTI management to purchase and sell any quantity of any share in the secondary market without any accountability. The Committee recommend a thorough	35. 16.3	system in secondary market operations, the absence of any laid down guidelines for dealer authority and stop-loss limits to liquidate loss making positions, the absence of any documentation of the rationale for secondary market transactions in particular shares, the concentration of power for both fund management as well as dealing room operations in one person and the lack of any security system to preserve the confidentiality of the dealing room's voice recording mechanism lead the Committee to conclude that the absence of laid down procedures for secondary market transactions allowed the UTI management to purchase and sell any quantity of any share in the secondary market without any accountability. The	The matter is under consideration of the Government. As reported in December, 2003 Cases of Secondary Market transactions of UTI in the shares of 89 companies identified by Tarapore Committee have been referred to SEBI for enquiry. As reported in June, 2004 The position has been explained against Para No.16.29. As reported in December, 2004 The corrective action taken in respect of systems, procedures, delegations of powers, risk management etc. has been reported against para No.15.9 of the first ATR. As regards, accountability action, the position is given as against para No.16.29. As reported in July, 2005 SEBI have intimated that the audit report in respect of 26 companies has been submitted by the auditors. Regarding the inspection on secondary market transactions of the companies, all the auditors have been authorized to approach the stock exchanges/brokers to collect the following information required	As against para 16.29.

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enquiry of the secondary market

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transactions in the shares of the 89 companies identified by the Tarapore Committee. This enquiry may be conducted by SEBI for the period 1992-1993 to 2000-2001 by looking at these transactions at the level of UTI's dealing room and at the level of individual brokers and responsibility be fixed for any incidents of broker-UTI dealer nexus, front running, benchmarking, etc. As the lack of any documentation of secondary market transactions will make an audit trail difficult, the Committee desire that SEBI devise suitable mechanisms for identifying wrongdoing. Steps may be taken thereafter by SEBI and UTI to take action against the wrongdoers including referring appropriate matters to an independent investigative agency.

scrips not being traded etc.

(b) Registration and history of brokers, names of proprietors/ partners/directors including the information on blacklisting. A meeting of the auditors was also convened on January 5, 2005 by SEBI to ascertain the progress made and to impress upon the auditors to expedite the inspections

SEBI have also advised certain stock exchanges to furnish the auditors such data and information as may be required by them. They have also written to SUUTI to furnish such information and documents as may be required by auditors.

Subsequent to the meetings held by SEBI with the Auditors on 5.1.2005 and 9.2.2005 and with the officials of Specified Undertaking of UTI [SUUTI] on 1.2.2005 and 1.4.2005, respectively, SEBI held a meeting with the Auditors and SUUTI on 19.4.2005 to ascertain the current status of the inspection work. The mater was followed up with auditors. 3 auditors have informed that information is still pending from SUUTI whereas, 10 Auditors have informed that information is yet pending from BSE/ NSE/ other exchanges.

As reported in December, 2005

As against para No. 16.29.

As reported in May, 2003

The matter is under consideration of the Government.

As reported in December, 2003

As in para 16.37

As reported in June, 2004

The position has been explained against Para No.16.29.

As reported in December, 2004

As against para 16.29.

As reported in July, 2005

As against para No. 16.37.

As reported in December, 2005

As against para No. 16.29.

As against Para 16.29.

36. The Committee deplore the imprudent manner in which stocks were purchased and retained, leading to a host of malpractices which require comprehensive audit and pre-investigation by a suitably empowered body before proceeding to the investigative level. The Committee are satisfied with the process adopted by UTI in respect of the investment decisions in the case of 19 companies. The Advisory Board on Bank, Commercial and Financial Frauds should expeditiously take a final decision on these. The Committee recommend that the procedure suggested by the Tarapore Committee also be

adopted in the case of investment

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decisions in the remaining 70 cases, as this meets the ends of natural justice. The Committee desire that the entire process should be completed within six months of the presentation of this report to Parliament. There is no cause for further delay in this matter.

37. The Committee put on record, their

disapproval of the decision making process, rather the lack of it, in this private placement. The Committee conclude that UTI's investment in sanctioning Rs 32.08 crore towards the purchase of 3,45,000 shares of Cyberspace (of a face value of Rs. 10) at a price of Rs.930 per share was irregular and violated norms of prudential decision making and notwithstanding Shri Subramanyam's denials, possibly influenced by extraneous considerations. The Committee are aware that criminal proceedings in this matter are pending, but see no reason why departmental proceedings should not be initiated simultaneously in case of the officials concerned. In this regard RBI's recent circular dated 3/5/2002 addressed to all commercial banks regarding bank frauds, specifically states, "...departmental action against officials involved in bank frauds should invariably be initiated simultaneously with criminal action with a view to ensuring that internal fraudsters are immediately punished even if criminal cases against them drag on. At present, there is a tendency among banks to wait for the outcome of criminal action against officials involved for taking departmental

As reported in May, 2003

The Administrator of UTI-I has informed that the matter has No change in the status. already been referred to the internal Vigilance Cell for a time bound departmental vigilance enquiry in the instant case as recommended by JPC. The Vigilance enquiry is in progress.

As reported in December, 2003

The Vigilance enquiry has since been completed and based on the findings, the Administrator of the Specified Undertaking of the UTI has ordered departmental action against Shri S.K. Basu, Executive Director (under suspension), and other officials. A copy of the internal vigilance report has also been forwarded to the CBI for their information and necessary action.

Shri M.L. Pendse, former Justice, Bombay High Court & retired Chief Justice, Karnataka High Court has been appointed as Enquiry Officer and the enquiry proceedings under the Staff Rules are in progress.

As reported in June, 2004

Shri M L Pendse, former Justice, Bombay High Court & retired Chief Justice, Karnataka High Court has been appointed as Enquiry Officer and the enquiry proceedings under the Staff Rules have also been completed. The Enquiry Officer's findings are under consideration of the Competent Authority for imposing penalty.

As reported in December, 2004

As against para No.16.31.

The SUUTI has informed that the vigilance report alongwith Reports of the JPC and Tarapore Committee have been referred to the Board Level Committee on 24.8.2004 for recommending further course of action.

As reported in July, 2005

The case of Cyberspace Infosys has also been examined by the

action. In view of the salutary effect of this principle, we advise that you initiate departmental action against officials involved in fraud cases simultaneously with criminal action." The Committee are of the opinion that UTI should also follow this principle, and initiate a time bound departmental vigilance enquiry in this matter. As recommended earlier this should also be done in all cases where ERC's recommendations were not sought or its recommendations were overruled.

Board Level Committee for recommending further course of action. The Committee have recommended as under:

The Committee have not taken any view on the role played by the then Chairman, Shri P.S. Subramanyam.

As regards, Smt. Prema Madhu Prasad, GM, the Committee have recommended that the Competent Authority may take appropriate action.

As regards Shri S.K. Saha, ex-CGM, his retirement benefits are withheld. The Committee have recommended that the Competent Authority may take appropriate action.

As regards Shri S.K. Basu, under suspension, the Committee have recommended that the Competent Authority may take appropriate action.

The Central Bureau of Investigation have filed a chargesheet in the competent court based on their investigation and have recommended regular departmental action against certain officials and one ex-official.

As reported in December, 2005

No change in the status.

The Committee highlight this transaction as another serious violation of norms in UTI and accordingly recommend investigation into the entire transaction. including possible extraneous considerations which might have actuated it. Moreover, the Committee deplore the failure of UTI to pursue recovery sought investment from UTI on the basis of an undertaking that it would compensate

UTI for any loss in the transaction. The

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As reported in May, 2003

Legal notice has been issued to M/s. Numero Uno by UTIMF for No change in the status. recovery. As regards civil proceedings against the ex-Chairman and officials of the Trust, UTI is seeking legal opinion of an external legal specialist and further action would be considered based on their advice.

As reported in December, 2003

UTI AMC (Pvt.) Ltd. and the Administrator, Specified Undertaking proceedings against a corporate, which of the Unit Trust of India (SUUTI) have filed petition before the Debt Recovery Tribunal, Mumbai against Numero Uno international and others for recovery of amount. Similarly, civil suit has been filed in the High Court of Mumbai against the ex-Chairman Shri

Committee recommend that UTI should vigorously pursue all civil and criminal avenues to recoup its investment in Numero Uno International in a time bound manner. UTI should review the role of both Numero Uno International as well as the company that arranged the transaction and take action against them in case there is evidence that they misrepresented the true affairs of the company while seeking investment from UTI. The Committee also recommend that UTI should take immediate steps to hold the concerned officials who processed this transaction accountable and take action against such officials. Besides other actions, law permitting, UTI should initiate civil proceedings of damages against its concerned officials including the then Chairman to recover the losses sustained by its unit holders for a decision which they took without due diligence and in violation of UTI's norms and procedures.

P.S. Subramanyam. Both the matters have been filed on July 24, 2003. Based on the initial findings of the vigilance enquiry, further civil action for damages has been approved by the Administrator against other officials viz. ex-official Shri Basudeb Sen, Executive Director, Shri S.K. Basu, Executive Director (under suspension) and ex-official Shri S.K. Saha, Chief General Manager who share responsibility for putting through the transaction.

As reported in June, 2004

The vigilance enquiry has been completed and further action is in progress.

As reported in December, 2004

SUUTI has informed that vigilance report alongwith the Report of the JPC and Tarapore Committee Reports have been referred to the Board Level Committee on August 24, 2004 for recommending further course of action.

As reported in July, 2005

UTI AMC and the Administrator, Specified Undertaking of the Unit Trust of India filed petition on July 24, 2003 before the Debt Recovery Tribunal, Mumbai against Numero Uno International and others for recovery of amount. Similarly, civil suit has been filed in the High Court of Mumbai against the ex-Chairman Shri P S Subramanyam. Further civil action for damages has been initiated against other officials, viz. ex-official Dr. Basudeb Sen (ED), Shri S K Basu (ED-under suspension) and ex-official Shri S K Saha (CGM), who share responsibility for putting through the transaction.

The findings of the internal vigilance enquiry have been examined by the Board Level Committee. The Committee have recommended as under:

The Committee have not taken any view on the role played by the then Chairman, Shri P.S. Subramanyam.

As regards Shri S.K. Saha, ex-CGM, his retirement benefits are withheld. The Committee have recommended that the Competent Authority may take appropriate action.

As regards Shri S.K. Basu, under suspension, the Committee have recommended that the Competent Authority may take appropriate action.

As regards, Dr. Basudeb Sen, ex-ED and Smt. Prema Madhu Prasad, GM, the Committee have not recommended any action.

As reported in December, 2005

No change in the status.

39. 16.56 The Committee are of the view that UTI

cannot escape its responsibility to investors in its guaranteed assured return schemes. Those responsible for launching these assured return schemes must be held accountable for their actions and proceeded against. Moreover, the Committee does not find the position taken by IDBI as guarantor of UTI to be in consonance with the canons of sound corporate governance. The Executive Committee of the Board of UTI which sanctioned these schemes in 1996-97 and 1997-98 in violation of SEBI guidelines comprised Chairman, UTI appointed with the concurrence of IDBI; CMD, IDBI as its nominee; Executive Trustee appointed by IDBI; and another trustee functioning as the IDBI nominee. It is therefore clear that all functionaries who participated in this decision represented IDBI. Therefore the Committee cannot accept IDBI's claim that UTI did not frame its assured return schemes within the knowledge of IDBI as guarantor. IDBI should hold its appointees responsible for not framing UTI's assured return schemes in compliance with SEBI guidelines.

As reported in May, 2003

The Administrator of the Specified Undertaking of the Unit Trust of India has informed that UTI fully acknowledges its responsibility towards investors of its guaranteed return schemes and will fully pursue all available options to satisfy claims of investors as they accrue. The shortfall in these schemes arose on account of various factors such as (i) decline in equity values due to a general decline in the stock market. (ii) interest rate also declined during this period (iii) economic slowdown, income distribution tax and increase in NPAs also affected the NAVs of these schemes. As part of the restructuring package announced by the Government, the shortfall, if any, on maturity in assured return schemes would be met by the Government.

All members of the Executive Committee and Board during the period 1996-97 and 1997-98 have long since relinquished their office. None of them are receiving any continuing monetary benefits from UTI. UTI had taken up with IDBI regarding action on the JPC recommendations. IDBI, in its reply, has mentioned that it had no role in the transactions of business of UTI. IDBI has also advised UTI to ascertain whether the Trustees could claim protection under provisions of Section 37 of the UTI Act. Further action in this regard will be taken after obtaining appropriate legal opinion.

As reported in December, 2003

The recommendation of JPC has been brought to the attention of IDBI. Also, the list of all Assured Return Schemes launched by the erstwhile UTI along with the names of Trustees who participated in the Board/Executive Committee meetings where the schemes were approved, have been furnished to IDBI on April 04,2003. IDBI has stated that the UTI Act did not confer any powers on IDBI to take action against the Trustees appointed by IDBI for their acts of commission or omission.

The legal opinion has been forwarded to IDBI for their views and taking action as may be called for.

As reported in June, 2004

Further course of action is under consideration.

As reported in December, 2004

SUUTI has informed that in view of the response of the IDBI that UTI Act did not confer any powers on IDBI to take action against the Trustees appointed by IDBI for their acts of commission or omission, the matter will be put up to the Board of Advisors of SUUTI for direction in the matter.

As reported in July, 2005

The matter was put up to the Board of Advisors of SUUTI, who have directed that an independent legal opinion in the matter may be obtained. The Office of the Chief Legal Advisor of UTI AMC Pvt. Ltd. has been advised to co-ordinate in the matter.

As reported in December, 2005

The recommendation of JPC was brought to the attention of IDBI along with the list of all assured return schemes launched by the erstwhile UTI and the names of Trustees who participated in the Board / Executive Committee meetings where the schemes were approved. IDBI stated that the UTI Act did not confer any powers on IDBI to take action against the Trustees appointed by IDBI for their acts of commission or omission. In view of the response of the IDBI, the matter was put up to the Board of Advisors of SUUTI, who have directed that an independent legal opinion in the matter may be obtained. The Office of the Chief Legal Advisor of UTI AMC Pvt. Ltd. has obtained the legal opinion from Shri G.E. Vahanvati, Solicitor General of India. The said legal opinion has been placed before the Board of Adivsors of SUUTI who have authorized the Administrator to take up the matter suitably with IDBI.

40. 17.14 The Committee concur with the observation of the Tarapore Committee that the quantum jump in the inter scheme transfers from/to US-64 in the last three years raises concerns about the bonafides of such transactions and

As reported in May, 2003
As against 16.21
As reported in December, 2003
As against para 16.21
As reported in June, 2004

The position has been explained against Para No. 16.21.

As against para 16.21.

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		whether they were for window dressing	As reported in December, 2004	
		the results of different schemes.	As against 16.21.	
			As reported in July, 2005	
			As against para 16.21.	
			As reported in December, 2005	
			As against para 16.21.	
41.	18.19	The Committee have had occasion to	As reported in May, 2003	
		examine the CSE, Stock Holding	SEBI has ordered investigation to ascertain as to whether there	As against para 4.68.
		Corporation of India (SHCIL), SEBI, UTI	was any nexus among SHCIL officials, Dinesh Dalmia, promoter	
		and their officials in different sittings while	of DSQ Industries, Biyani Group in relation to the transactions	
		looking at the crisis on CSE. The share	done by Biyani Group through SHCIL and more particularly to	
		transaction funding schemes of SHCIL	ascertain whether any provisions of the SEBI Act, 1992 and	
		were extensively used by one of the	various Rules and Regulations made thereunder have been	
		defaulting CSE brokers, Shri Harish	violated. Investigation is currently in progress.	
		Chandra Biyani to fund transactions in the	As reported in December, 2003	
		shares of DSQ group. As there was prima	As against para 4.70	
		facie evidence before the Committee that	As reported in June, 2004	
		SHCIL had violated prudential norms and	The position has been explained against Para No.4.70.	
		internal procedures to facilitate these	As reported in December, 2004	
		transactions, SEBI was asked by the	As against para 4.70.	
		Committee in June 2002 to prepare an	As reported in July, 2005	
		inspection report focusing on SHCIL's	Kolkatta Police have informed that the transactions carried out	
		funding transactions as its earlier report	by the accused Biyani Group through SHCIL under the schemes	
		of May 2001 was silent on these aspects.	"Sell-n-Cash" and "Cash on Pay out" was investigated and it has	
		The findings of SEBI's report have been	been established that there was a connivance and nexus between	
		discussed in detail in Chapter IV of Part L	the accused Rivani Group, the absconding accused Dinesh	

1 Shri P.S. Subramanyam was Chairman of UTI as well as SHCIL at the time of the transaction. UTI is one of the promoters of SHCIL.

of the report. The Committee have in sifting through the reports, depositions

and evidence placed before them,

observed a disturbing nexus which stands

established by the following facts:-

2 Shri B.G. Daga was the Executive Director of UTI as well as UTI's accused Dinesh Dalmia who has been reportedly staying in USA.

discussed in detail in Chapter IV of Part I the accused Biyani Group, the absconding accused Dinesh Dalmia, the MD of DSQ Group and some official of SHCIL. For such purpose and in the interest of this case, most of the functionaries of Biyani Group excepting accused Ravinder Biyani against whom proclamation has been published, B.V. Goud, the then MD of SHCIL were arrested. The investigation relating to the involvements of arrested accused persons are in concluding stage. The prolonged absconsion of accused Dinesh Dalmia and his associates caused serious hindrance in completing the investigation and colleting more material evidences. The CBI has been requested to expedite the arrest and extradition of said

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	representative on the Board of Directors of SHCIL. 3 Shri H.C. Biyani and his related entities were the brokers involved in both	As reported in December, 2005 As against para 4.68.	
	transactions. 4 As per the report of SHCIL's Vigilance Advisor and later confirmed in SEBI's inspection report, Shri H.C. Biyani is the broker of Shri Dinesh Dalmia who is the		
	main promoter of the DSQ group. 5 As per the report of SHCIL's Vigilance Advisor, oral evidence tendered to the Committee and later confirmed by SEBI in its inspection report. Shri Dinesh Dalmia lobbied with SHCIL to fund the		
	transaction involving the scrip of DSQ Industries. 6 The transactions of both SHCIL and UTI involved the shares of DSQ group. 7 These transactions took place on CSE		
	in the first and second week of March 2001. 8 UTI had the choice of buying either the scrip of DSQ Software or HFCL but went ahead and bought the former even		
	though there was a specific recommendation by its Equity Research Cell that it should sell its existing holdings of the share.		
	9 Shri H.C. Biyani and related entities entered into circular transactions on CSE in the scrip of DSQ Industries. They obtained funding from SHCIL through its sell and cash scheme by misrepresenting these transactions as being at arms length. The transactions were later annulled by CSE as on		

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- enquiry they found that they were between entities belonging to the same group of persons and appeared to be accommodation transactions.
- 10 Another large transaction in the scrip of DSQ Industries undertaken by H.C. Biyani and his related company was funded by SHCIL through its cash on payout scheme. SHCIL violated its procedures to facilitate this transaction as well as Shri H.C. Biyani's subsequent discounting of SHCIL's postdated cheque by issuing letters of comfort to IndusInd Bank, which had never been done in any other transaction.
- 11 According to the SEBI inspection report, companies linked to the promoter of DSQ group provided the shares of DSQ group to Sh. Biyani through off market deals, which he then traded on the CSE.
- 12 Both UTI and SHCIL's decisions were found to be imprudent, in violation of laid down procedures and have extracted a heavy price in terms of financial loss and loss of reputation and customer confidence.
- 13 The damage to the vital dealing room tapes recording UTI's transaction with CSE is suspicious.
- 42. 18.20 The Committee see that all these events point to a close nexus between the corporate promoter, defaulting brokers acting on behalf of the promoter, broker directors on CSE and public officials in SHCIL and UTI. The Committee recommend that the following consequential steps may be taken:

SI.No. Para No. Observation/Recommendation of JPC Reply of Government/Action Taken (v) Chairman, SEBI should institute an As reported in May, 2003 independent enquiry regarding whether v) The matter is under consideration of SEBI there was any improper conduct by any As reported in December, 2003 (v) The Officer concerned has filed his explanation. Investigation SEBI official deputed by it to handle the payment crisis at CSE, specifically the is under progress. antecedents of the deputed official, As reported in June, 2004 whether he was sent in the normal Investigation is under progress. course of the responsibilities assigned As reported in December, 2004 to him, and if he had any role in The report is at the final stage of completion. facilitating UTI's off market purchase As reported in July, 2005 from CSE. Chairman, SEBI should take The report is at the final stage. appropriate administrative action on the basis of the report. As reported in December, 2005 The Committee hope that swift action as The report is under examination, as CBI also is investigating the detailed above will send the right signals to the stock markets and other financial institutions. As reported in May, 2003

Section 21(c) of the Unit Trust of India (Transfer of Undertaking & Repeal) Act, 2002 provides that notwithstanding repeal of UTI Act, 1963 any action done or purported to have been done under the repealed Act shall, in so far, it is not inconsistent with the provisions of the Act, be deemed to have been done or taken under the corresponding provisions of this Act. This section takes care of the civil, criminal, departmental and vigilance proceedings pending in the erstwhile UTI with regard to irregularities in its investment decisions.

As reported in December, 2003

Pending legal actions continue to be pursued.

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The CBI have filed FIR in respect of the following cases:

- i) M/s. Cyberspace Infosys Ltd.
- ii) M/s. Padmini Polymers Ltd.
- iii) M/s. Shonkh Technologies Ltd.
- iv) M/s. Eonour Software Ltd.

The CBI have filed chargesheet in special court for CBI cases in respect of investment of UTI in M/s. Cyberspace Infosys Ltd. The findings of the CBI in respect of the other three cases are awaited.

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- 21.9 The Committee would like to put on record the following observations and recommendations:
- There are a number of civil, criminal. departmental and vigilance proceedings pending in UTI with regard to the irregularities in its investment decisions. The Committee have also recommended certain actions to enforce accountability for previous misdemeanors. The Committee recommend that legislation regarding UTI as well as Government policy should take these proceedings into account so that they are concluded expeditiously and are not hampered by the fact that the UTI Act of 1963 has been repealed.

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