

Capital formation in Indian agriculture

8.60 The decline in the share of investment in Agriculture as percent of GDP from 1.6 percent in 1993-94 to 1.3 percent in subsequent years has been an area of continued concern. This decline was attributed mainly to near stagnation or fall of public investment in agriculture since the early

nineties. Year 2001-02 is likely to be a turning point as public investment in agriculture had touched Rs. 4794 crore which was significantly higher than the previous five years (Table 8.24). If this trend is maintained then it would be indication of some success resulting from Government's recent efforts in diverting higher flow of resources to agriculture.

Table 8.24 : Gross capital formation in agriculture at 1993-94 prices

(Rs crore)

Year	Total	Public	Private	Percent share		Investment in agriculture as per cent of GDP
				Public	Private	
1993-94	13523	4467	9056	33.0	67.0	1.6
1994-95	14969	4947	10022	33.0	67.0	1.6
1995-96	15690	4849	10841	30.9	69.1	1.6
1996-97	16176	4668	11508	28.9	71.1	1.5
1997-98	15942	3979	11963	25.0	75.0	1.4
1998-99	14895	3870	11025	26.0	74.0	1.3
1999-00	17304	4222	13082	24.4	75.6	1.4
2000-01	16687	3919	12768	23.5	76.5	1.3
2001-02*	18057	4794	13263	26.5	13.5	1.3

*Quick estimates

Source : Central Statistical Organisation.