## **Investment in Agriculture**

51. Public investment measured in terms of gross capital formation in agriculture which had been rising till 1970s, decelerated during the 1980s. Public investment in real terms at 1980-81 prices was Rs.1796 crore in 1980-81 but declined to Rs.1154 crore in 1990-91. After modest increase in 1994-95 to Rs.1316 crore, public investment declined to Rs.1132 crore in 1996-97. Decelerating trends in public investment is a matter of concern. However, private investment in agricultural has grown substantially in the nineties (Fig. 8.2, Table 8.22). Even after shifting of the base year to 1993-94, the general trend of decline in public investment is clearly visible.

TABLE 8.22
Gross Capital Formation in Agriculture
(Rs. crore)

Year	Total	Public	Private	Per cent share	
				Public	Private
(At 1980-81 Prices)					
1960-61	1668	589	1079	35.3	64.7
1970-71	2758	789	1969	28.6	71.4
1980-81	4636	1796	2840	38.7	61.3
1990-91	4594	1154	3440	25.1	74.9
1991-92	4729	1002	3727	21.2	78.8
1992-93	5372	1061	4311	19.7	80.3
1993-94	5031	1153	3878	22.9	77.1
1994-95	6256	1316	4940	21.0	79.0
1995-96	6961	1268	5693	18.2	81.8
1996-97	6999	1132	5867	16.2	83.8
(At 1993-94 Prices)					
1993-94	15845	4468	11377	28.2	71.8
1994-95	18214	4970	13244	27.3	72.7
1995-96	19944	4776	15168	23.9	76.1
1996-97	19902	4347	15555	21.8	78.2
1997-98	20995	4416	16579	21.0	79.0

Source : CSO, The base year has been changed to 1993-94 from this year.

