

2. Foreign Exchange Reserves

Item	As on July 27, 2012		Variation over							
			Week		End-March 2012		End-December 2011		Year	
	₹ Bn.	US\$ Mn.	₹ Bn.	US\$ Mn.	₹ Bn.	US\$ Mn.	₹ Bn.	US\$ Mn.	₹ Bn.	US\$ Mn.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Total Reserves	16,017.3	288,649.9	140.7	1,311.2	956.0	-5,747.6	212.6	-8,038.8	1,926.2	-30,440.4
(a) Foreign Currency Assets +	14,206.7	256,393.2	137.8	1,291.0 *	901.6	-3,675.5	200.2	-6,540.1	1,569.8	-29,766.9
(b) Gold \$	1,450.6	25,760.2	—	—	68.1	-1,262.9	32.5	-860.1	331.2	411.5
(c) SDRs @	241.5	4,358.5	1.9	13.5	12.9	-110.8	5.6	-70.5	37.9	-250.9
(d) Reserve Position in the IMF**	118.5	2,138.0	1.0	6.7	-26.6	-698.4	-25.7	-568.1	-12.7	-834.0

+ Excludes ₹ 43.8 billion/US\$ 790 million invested in foreign currency denominated bonds issued by IIFC (UK).

* Foreign currency assets expressed in US dollar terms include the effect of appreciation/depreciation of non-US currencies (such as Euro, Sterling, Yen) held in reserves. For details, please refer to the Current Statistics section of the RBI Bulletin.

** Reserve Position in the International Monetary Fund (IMF), i.e., Reserve Tranche Position (RTP) which was shown as a memo item from May 23, 2003 to March 26, 2004 has been included in the reserves from the week ended April 2, 2004 in keeping with the international best practice.

@ Includes SDR 3,082.5 million (equivalent to US\$ 4,883 million) allocated under general allocation and SDR 214.6 million (equivalent to US\$ 340 million) allocated under special allocation by IMF done on August 28, 2009 and September 9, 2009, respectively.

\$ Includes ₹314.6 billion (US\$ 6,699 million) reflecting the purchase of 200 metric tonnes of gold from IMF on November 3, 2009.