

## 2. Foreign Exchange Reserves

Item	As on August 17, 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
<b>Total Reserves</b>	<b>16,095.6</b>	<b>288,919.4</b>	<b>80.9</b>	<b>-250.5</b>	<b>1,034.3</b>	<b>-5,478.1</b>	<b>290.9</b>	<b>-7,769.3</b>	<b>1,618.4</b>	<b>-29,300.4</b>
(a) Foreign Currency Assets +	14,295.8	256,656.8	77.8	-263.0 *	990.7	-3,411.9	289.3	-6,276.5	1,285.5	-28,594.1
(b) Gold \$	1,435.1	25,714.7	—	—	52.6	-1,308.4	17.0	-905.6	315.7	366.0
(c) SDRs @	242.7	4,356.6	2.1	8.3	14.1	-112.7	6.8	-72.4	31.4	-276.4
(d) Reserve Position in the IMF**	122.0	2,191.3	1.0	4.2	-23.1	-645.1	-22.2	-514.8	-14.2	-795.9

+ Excludes ₹ 44.0 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.