

CURRENT STATISTICS

Trade and
Balance of
Payments

No. 44A: Outward Remittances under the Liberalised Remittance Scheme for Resident Individuals

(US \$ million)

Purpose	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08	2008-09
1	2	3	4	5	6
1. Deposit	9.1	23.2	19.7	24.0	30.4
2. Purchase of immovable property	0.5	1.9	8.5	39.5	55.9
3. Investment in equity/debt	—	—	20.7	144.7	151.4
4. Gift	—	—	7.4	70.3	133.0
5. Donations	—	—	0.1	1.6	1.4
6. Others**	—	—	16.4	160.4	436.0
Total (1 to 6)	9.6	25.0	72.8	440.5	808.1

(US \$ million)

Purpose	2008-09											
	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1. Deposit	3.4	3.0	4.1	2.3	2.6	1.6	1.2	1.4	1.6	1.7	1.8	5.7
2. Purchase of immovable property	7.7	7.0	6.5	5.7	4.6	5.7	3.1	2.6	2.5	2.6	2.7	5.2
3. Investment in equity/debt	13.3	13.7	14.9	12.5	12.7	9.8	8.7	12.4	11.2	10.4	6.8	25.0
4. Gift	8.8	10.9	10.2	12.7	16.0	7.9	8.6	23.2	9.7	7.6	8.5	8.9
5. Donations	0.2	0.1	—	0.2	0.2	—	0.1	0.2	—	0.1	0.1	0.2
6. Others**	17.1	18.5	20.5	27.4	123.6	26.0	19.2	19.0	32.7	33.1	19.3	79.6
Total (1 to 6)	50.5	53.2	56.2	60.8	159.7	51.0	40.9	58.8	57.7	55.5	39.2	124.6

(US \$ million)

Purpose	2009-10					
	April	May	June	July	August	September
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1. Deposit	2.3	2.8	3.2	1.9	1.7	3.0
2. Purchase of immovable property	4.2	3.8	3.4	2.5	4.7	3.7
3. Investment in equity/debt	12.6	12.2	14.8	10.7	15.4	12.6
4. Gift	13.6	11.7	13.7	13.0	11.2	11.5
5. Donations	0.1	0.2	0.6	0.1	0.2	0.4
6. Travels	1.4	1.5	1.1	2.5	1.2	2.3
7. Maintenance of close relatives	10.5	10.0	8.8	9.7	13.3	10.8
8. Medical Treatment	1.3	2.3	2.4	2.3	1.6	1.9
9. Studies Abroad	6.1	6.8	89.3	12.7	21.0	18.5
10. Others	6.0	6.4	7.6	9.5	8.5	7.5
Total (1 to 10)	58.1	57.7	145.0	64.9	78.8	72.2

— : Not available.

** : Include items such as Education, Tours and Travels.

Notes : (i) The data from 2004 to 2007 are on calendar basis.

(ii) Under Liberalised Remittance Scheme (LRS), currently, the residents are permitted to remit up to an amount of US \$ 2, 00,000 per financial year (April-March) for any permitted current or capital account transactions or a combination of both with effect from September 26, 2007. The LRS Scheme was introduced in February 2004 to facilitate resident individuals to freely remit up to US \$ 25,000 per calendar year, which was enhanced to US \$ 50,000 per financial year in December 2006; to US \$ 1, 00,000 per financial year in May 2007; and to US \$ 2, 00,000 per financial year in September 2007.