

2. Foreign Exchange Reserves

Item	As on October 5, 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	15,259.8	295,039.5	-275.9	227.3	198.5	642.0	-544.9	-1,649.2	-77.2	-17,190.9
(a) Foreign Currency Assets +	13,429.9	260,176.7	-269.2	218.3 *	124.8	108.0	-576.6	-2,756.6	-155.4	-16,285.0
(b) Gold \$	1,482.5	28,132.9	—	—	100.0	1,109.8	64.4	1,512.6	79.8	-533.8
(c) SDRs @	230.1	4,456.9	-4.4	6.0	1.5	-12.4	-5.8	27.9	9.2	-37.8
(d) Reserve Position in the IMF**	117.3	2,273.0	-2.3	3.0	-27.8	-563.4	-26.9	-433.1	-10.8	-334.3

+ Excludes ₹ 40.8 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.