

2. Foreign Exchange Reserves

<i>Item</i>	As on October 12, 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	15,539.8	294,875.8	280.0	-163.7	478.5	478.3	-264.9	-1,812.9	-35.9	-22,623.1
(a) Foreign Currency Assets +	13,703.4	260,026.6	273.5	-150.1 *	398.3	-42.1	-303.1	-2,906.7	-117.3	-21,625.9
(b) Gold \$	1,482.5	28,132.9	—	—	100.0	1,109.8	64.4	1,512.6	79.8	-533.8
(c) SDRs @	234.4	4,447.9	4.3	-9.0	5.8	-21.4	-1.5	18.9	11.4	-95.9
(d) Reserve Position in the IMF**	119.5	2,268.4	2.2	-4.6	-25.6	-568.0	-24.7	-437.7	-9.8	-367.5

+ Excludes ₹ 41.6 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.