## 2. Foreign Exchange Reserves

Item	As on September 21,		Variation over							
	2012		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	15,894.4	293,974.4	-247.6	-502.4	833.1	-423.1	89.7	-2,714.3	465.7	-18,732.3
(a) Foreign Currency Assets +	14,071.0	261,031.1	-241.1	-485.6 *	765.9	962.4	64.5	-1,902.2	315.7	-15,902.8
(b) Gold \$	1,462.1	26,239.4		—	79.6	-783.7	44.0	-380.9	158.9	-2,079.3
(c) SDRs @	240.4	4,460.4	-4.3	-11.2	11.8	-8.9	4.5	31.4	17.1	-36.3
(d) Reserve Position in the IMF**	120.9	2,243.5	-2.2	-5.6	-24.2	-592.9	-23.3	-462.6	-26.0	-713.9

- + Excludes ₹ 42.6 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.