

2. Foreign Exchange Reserves

Item	As on December 21, 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	16,319.6	296,538.8	182.5	-92.8	1,258.3	2,141.3	514.9	-149.9	473.5	-4,323.6
(a) Foreign Currency Assets +	14,429.8	261,949.8	173.6	-169.9 *	1,124.7	1,881.1	423.3	-983.5	424.4	-3,706.6
(b) Gold \$	1,516.0	27,803.1	—	—	133.5	780.0	97.9	1,182.8	53.1	-237.7
(c) SDRs @	245.2	4,452.0	3.9	15.8	16.6	-17.3	9.3	23.0	10.7	4.3
(d) Reserve Position in the IMF**	128.6	2,333.9	5.0	61.3	-16.5	-502.5	-15.6	-372.2	-14.7	-383.6

+ Excludes ₹ 43.5 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.