

## 2. Foreign Exchange Reserves

Item	As on March 2, 2012		Variation over							
			Week		End-March 2011		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
<b>Total Reserves</b>	14,546.3	294,988.8	52.0	-58.8	936.2	-9,829.3	-1,258.4	-1,699.9	928.5	-7,604.8
(a) Foreign Currency Assets +	12,811.1	259,596.3	-1.2	-1,505.4 *	562.3	-14,733.5	-1,195.4	-3,337.0	530.5	-13,368.2
(b) Gold \$	1,376.6	28,127.7	48.8	1,400.1	350.9	5,155.3	-41.5	1,507.4	376.2	5,985.0
(c) SDRs @	220.0	4,457.1	0.1	-23.8	16.0	-111.9	-15.9	28.1	-14.1	-747.2
(d) Reserve Position in the IMF**	138.6	2,807.7	4.3	70.3	7.0	-139.2	-5.6	101.6	35.9	525.6

+ Excludes ₹ 27.1 billion/US\$ 550 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.