

2. Foreign Exchange Reserves

Item	As on November 16, 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	16,116.8	293,526.3	171.0	-32.7	1,055.5	-871.2	312.1	-3,162.4	335.6	-15,097.7
(a) Foreign Currency Assets +	14,225.8	258,690.8	167.6	-16.4 *	920.7	-1,377.9	219.3	-4,242.5	126.3	-15,884.7
(b) Gold \$	1,525.5	28,189.3	—	—	143.0	1,166.2	107.4	1,569.0	211.1	1,293.0
(c) SDRs @	241.9	4,398.0	2.3	-10.8	13.3	-71.3	6.0	-31.0	9.4	-128.9
(d) Reserve Position in the IMF**	123.6	2,248.2	1.1	-5.5	-21.5	-588.2	-20.6	-457.9	-11.2	-377.1

+ Excludes ₹ 43.4 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.