

2. Foreign Exchange Reserves

<i>Item</i>	As on Dec. 25, 2009		Variation over							
			Week		End-March 2009		End-December 2008		Year	
	Rs. Crore	US\$ Mn.	Rs. Crore	US\$ Mn.	Rs. Crore	US\$ Mn.	Rs. Crore	US\$ Mn.	Rs. Crore	US\$ Mn.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Total Reserves	13,25,132	283,499	-3,057	-144	41,267	31,514	84,971	27,531	1,04,263	28,886
(a) Foreign Currency Assets +	12,09,769	258,719	-2,946	-132 *	-20,297	17,293	14,979	12,116	32,298	12,849
(b) Gold \$	84,508	18,182	—	—	35,715	8,605	43,398	9,697	45,331	10,321
(c) SDRs @	24,185	5,172	-87	-9	24,179	5,171	24,172	5,169	24,172	5,169
(d) Reserve Position in the IMF**	6,670	1,426	-24	-3	1,670	445	2,422	549	2,462	547

+ : Excludes Rs.1169 crore /US\$ 250 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 Rs.31,463 crore (USD 6,699 million) reflecting the purchase of 200 metric tonnes of gold from IMF on November 3, 2009.