

2. Foreign Exchange Reserves

<i>Item</i>	As on Dec. 4, 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	13,29,519	287,374	-12,896	651	45,654	35,389	89,358	31,406	1,07,741	41,517
(a) Foreign Currency Assets +	12,13,723	262,427	-14,801	-22 *	-16,343	21,001	18,933	15,824	35,333	25,279
(b) Gold \$	84,508	18,182	2,327	682	35,715	8,605	43,398	9,697	45,331	10,321
(c) SDRs @	24,524	5,303	-331	-7	24,518	5,302	24,511	5,300	24,511	5,300
(d) Reserve Position in the IMF**	6,764	1,462	-91	-2	1,764	481	2,516	585	2,566	617

+ : Excludes Rs.1156 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.