

## 2. Foreign Exchange Reserves

<i>Item</i>	As on May 8, 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.
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Total Reserves</b>	<b>12,61,403</b>	<b>255,941</b>	<b>-2,645</b>	<b>4,239</b>	<b>-22,462</b>	<b>3,956</b>	<b>21,242</b>	<b>-27</b>	<b>-31,680</b>	<b>-56,759</b>
(a) Foreign Currency Assets +	12,09,091	245,501	-3,656	4,014*	-20,975	4,075	14,301	-1,102	-43,796	-57,275
(b) Gold	46,357	9,231	—	—	-2,436	-346	5,247	746	8,216	-196
(c) SDRs	6	1	—	—	—	—	-7	-2	-69	-17
(d) Reserve Position in the IMF**	5,949	1,208	1,011	225	949	227	1,701	331	3,969	729

+ : Excludes Rs.1231 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.