

4. Cash Reserve Ratio and Interest Rates

(Per cent per annum)

<i>Item/Week Ended</i>	2011	2012					
	Mar. 25	Feb. 17	Feb. 24	Mar. 2	Mar. 9	Mar. 16	Mar. 23
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Cash Reserve Ratio (per cent) ⁽¹⁾	6.00	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	4.75	4.75
Bank Rate	6.00	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.50
Base Rate ⁽²⁾	8.25/9.50	10.00/10.75	10.00/10.75	10.00/10.75	10.00/10.75	10.00/10.75	10.00/10.75
Deposit Rate ⁽³⁾	7.75/9.50	8.50/9.25	8.50/9.25	8.50/9.25	8.50/9.25	8.50/9.25	8.50/9.25
Call Money Rate (Weighted Average) ⁽⁴⁾	7.59	8.81	8.73	8.97	8.84	8.89	9.01

(1) Cash Reserve Ratio relates to Scheduled Commercial Banks (excluding Regional Rural Banks). (2) Base Rate relates to five major banks since July 1, 2010. Earlier figures relate to Benchmark Prime Lending Rate (BPLR). (3) Deposit Rate relates to major banks for term deposits of more than one year maturity. (4) Data cover 90-95 per cent of total transactions reported by participants. Call Money Rate (Weighted Average) is volume-weighted average of daily call money rates for the week (Saturday to Friday).