November 2, 2005

All Scheduled Commercial Banks (excluding RRBs)

Dear Sirs,

Rupee Export Credit Interest Rates

Please refer to our circular (RBI / 2004-05/ 443) DBOD.Dir (Exp). No.83 / 04.02.01/ 2004-05 dated April 29, 2005 on the captioned subject.

2. The validity of the interest rates on rupee export credit indicated in the above circular would now remain in force upto April 30, 2006. In this connection, you may please refer to RBI circular No.MPD.BC.276/ 07.01.279/2005-06 dated October 28, 2005. The rates of interest applicable have been incorporated in the Annex to the Directive DBOD No.BC.42/13.07.01/2005-06 dated November 2, 2005 enclosed to this circular.

3. Please acknowledge receipt.

Yours faithfully,

(Amarendra Mohan) Chief General Manager

November 2, 2005

Interest Rates on Advances

In exercise of the powers conferred by Sections 21 and 35A of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949, the Reserve Bank of India, being satisfied that it is necessary and expedient in the public interest so to do, hereby directs that, with effect from November 1, 2005, the interest rates on rupee export credit would be as indicated in the Annex enclosed to this Directive.

(Usha Thorat) Executive Director

<u>ANNEX</u>

Interest Rates on Rupee Export Credit of Scheduled Commercial Banks

Categories of export credit	Interest Rates@(Per cent
	per annum)
	Effective from November 1,
	2005 to April 30, 2006
1. Pre-Shipment Credit	
(a) (i)Upto 180 days	Not exceeding BPLR minus
	2.5 percentage points
(ii) Beyond 180 days and upto	
270 days	Free*
(b)Against incentives	Not exceeding BPLR minus
receivable from	2.5 percentage points
Government covered by	
ECGC guarantee upto 90	
days	
2. Post-Shipment Credit	
(a)On demand bills for transit	Not exceeding BPLR minus
period (as specified by	2.5 percentage points
FEDAI)	
(b)Usance Bills (for	
total period comprising	
usance period of export	
bills, transit period as	
specified by FEDAI and	
grace period wherever	
applicable)	
(i) Upto 90 days	Not exceeding BPLR minus
	2.5 percentage points
	2.5 percentage points
(ii)Beyond 90 days and upto 6	Free*
months from the date of	1100
shipment	
(iii)Upto 365 days for exporters	Not exceeding BPLR minus
under the Gold Card Scheme	2.5 percentage points.
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(c) Against incentives receivable	Not exceeding BPLR minus
from Government(covered by	2.5 percentage points
ECGC guarantee) upto 90 days	
(d) Against undrawn balances	Not exceeding BPLR minus
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(upto 90 days)	2.5 percentage points
(e) Against retention money	
(for supplies portion only)	
payable within one year	Not exceeding BPLR minus
from the date of shipment	2.5 percentage points
(Upto 90 days)	
3. Deferred Credit	
Deferred credit for the period	Free*
beyond 180 days	
4.Export Credit Not Otherwise	
Specified (ECNOS)	
(a) Pre-shipment credit	Free*
(b) Post-shipment credit	Free*

② Since these are ceiling rates, banks would be free to charge any rate below the ceiling rates.

BPLR: Benchmark Prime Lending rate

* Banks are free to decide the rate of interest, keeping in view the BPLR and spread guidelines.