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**New Ferritic Stainless Steel Coins of Rs. 2 denomination
with the theme " NRITYA MUDRA "**

The Reserve Bank of India will shortly put into circulation new Ferritic Stainless Steel Coins of Rs. 2 with the theme " NRITYA MUDRA ".

The coins shall conform to the following dimensions, designs and compositions, namely :

Denomination of the coin	Shape and outside diameter	Metal composition
Two Rupees	Circular 27 millimeters (Mono-Metallic)	Ferritic Stainless Steel containing – Iron – 83% Chromium – 17%

Designs :**TWO RUPEES**

OBVERSE : This face of the coin is divided into three portions with two horizontal lines. The centre portion shall bear the "Lion Capitol" of Ashoka Pillar with the legend " सत्यमेव जयते " inscribed below.

The top portion contains word " भारत " in Hindi and "INDIA" in English. The bottom portion contains the Year in International Numerals.

REVERSE : This face of the coin contains visuals showing one of the " Mudras " of India's most famous classical dance "Bharat Natyam", in centre right periphery and in centre left periphery denomination value "2" in International numerals, below that the word "रुपये " in Hindi and the word " RUPEES " in English.

The coin is a legal tender as provided in the Coinage Act, 1906. The existing Two Rupees Coins in circulation shall also continue to be legal tender.