

Central Bank Survey: End-February 2016

The monetary base went down by Rs1,580 million or 2.1 per cent, from Rs74,498 million at end-January 2016 to Rs72,918 million at end-February 2016 as against an increase of 1.3 per cent registered between end-December 2015 and end-January 2016. The fall in the monetary base reflected mainly decreases in liabilities to other depository corporations and currency in circulation. The annual growth rate of monetary base declined to 3.5 per cent in February 2016, from 8.1 per cent in January 2016.

On the sources side of the monetary base, net foreign assets of the Bank went up by Rs2,730 million or 1.8 per cent, from Rs153,595 million at end-January 2016 to Rs156,325 million at end-February 2016. Net Claims on Central Government went down by Rs2,342 million, from negative Rs26,971 million at end-January 2016 to negative Rs29,313 million at end-February 2016.

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	Feb-16	Jan-16	Monthly Change		Feb-15	Annual Change	
	(Rs Mn)	(Rs Mn)	(Rs Mn)	(Per Cent)	(Rs Mn)	(Rs Mn)	(Per Cent)
1. Net Foreign Assets	156.325	153.595	2,730	1.8	126.048	30,277	24.0
Claims on Nonresidents	156,583	153,915			126,134	30,449	24.1
Liabilities to Nonresidents	258	320	-61	-19.1	87	172	198.7
2. Domestic Claims	-24,677	-22,357	-2,320	-10.4	-19,841	-4,836	-24.4
A. Net Claims on Central Government	-29,313	-26,971	-2,342	-8.7	-22,349	-6,963	-31.2
B. Claims on Other Sectors	3,627	3,617	10	0.3	126	3,501	2,778.0
C. Claims on Other Depository Corporations	1,009	997	12	1.2	2,382	-1,373	-57.7
3. ASSETS = LIABILITIES	131,647	131,238	409	0.3	106,206	25,441	24.0
4. Monetary Base	72,918	74,498	-1,580	-2.1	70,441	2,477	3.5
A. Currency in Circulation	30,647	31,171	-524	-1.7	28,537	2,110	7.4
B. Liabilities to Other Depository Corporations	42,176	43,240	-1,063	-2.5	41,805	371	0.9
C. Liabilities to Other Sectors	94	88	6	7.2	98	-4	-4.1
5. Other Liabilities to Other Depository Corporations	30,337	29,223	1,114	3.8	14,474	15,863	109.6
6. Deposits and Securities other than Shares, Excluded from Monetary Base	3,553	3,003	550	18.3	3,190	363	11.4
7. Other	24,840	24,513	326	1.3	18,102	6,738	37.2

Figures may not add up to totals due to rounding.

Source: Research & Economic Analysis Department