

Central Bank Survey: End-April 2020

The monetary base expanded by Rs5,993 million, from Rs126,403 million at the end of March 2020 to Rs132,396 million at the end of April 2020, or by 4.7 per cent, higher compared to a growth of 3.6 per cent registered between end-February 2020 and end-March 2020. The rise in the monetary base reflected increases in all of its components. The annual growth rate of the monetary base gained further momentum from 24.1 per cent in March 2020 to 27.9 per cent in April 2020.

On the sources side of the monetary base, the net foreign assets of the Bank rose by Rs3,920 million or 1.4 per cent to Rs280,219 million at the end of April 2020. Net Claims on Central Government rose by Rs1,028 million or 7.5 per cent to negative Rs12,727 million as at end-April 2020.

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	Apr-20 ¹	Mar-20 ¹ (Rs Mn)	Monthly Change		Apr-19	Annual Change	
	(Rs Mn)		(Rs Mn)	(Per Cent)	(Rs Mn)	(Rs Mn)	(Per Cent)
1. Net Foreign Assets	280.219	276.299	3,920	1.4	229.226	50.992	22.2
Claims on Nonresidents	280,579	276,647	3,932		229,761	50,817	-
Liabilities to Nonresidents	360	348	12	3.5	535	-175	-32.7
2. Domestic Claims	-8,117	-9,137	1,020	11.2	-14,632	6,515	44.5
A. Net Claims on Central Government	-12,727	-13,755	1,028	7.5	-18,967	6,240	32.9
B. Claims on Other Sectors	4,021	4,037	-15	-0.4	3,927	94	2.4
C. Claims on Other Depository Corporations	589	582	7	1.2	408	181	44.2
3. ASSETS = LIABILITIES	272,102	267,162	4,940	1.8	214,594	57,507	26.8
4. Monetary Base	132,396	126,403	5,993	4.7	103,555	28,840	27.9
A. Currency in Circulation	42,372	40,532	1,840	4.5	36,335	6,037	16.6
B. Liabilities to Other Depository Corporations	89,820	85,742	4,078	4.8	67,107	22,713	33.8
C. Liabilities to Other Sectors	204	130	75	57.6	113	91	80.3
5. Other Liabilities to Other Depository Corporations	75,361	84,495	-9,134	-10.8	63,771	11,590	18.2
6. Deposits and Securities other than Shares, Excluded from Monetary Base	22,249	23,484	-1,235	-5.3	25,206	-2,957	-11.7
7. Other	42,096	32,780	9,315	28.4	22,062	20,034	90.8

¹ Provisional.

Figures may not add up to totals due to rounding.

Source: Economic Analysis and Research and Statistics Department