

Central Bank Survey: End-February 2021

The monetary base dropped by Rs18,160 million or 8.5 per cent, from Rs214,151 million at the end of January 2021 to Rs195,992 million at the end of February 2021, compared to an increase of 10.0 per cent registered between end-December 2020 and end-January 2021. The drop in the monetary base resulted mostly from the fall in liabilities to Other Depository Corporations. The annual growth rate of the monetary base fell from 82.0 per cent in January 2021 to 60.6 per cent in February 2021.

On the sources side of the monetary base, the net foreign assets of the Bank went down by Rs18,801 million or 6.2 per cent to Rs286,606 million at the end of February 2021. Net Claims on Central Government dropped by Rs1,698 million to negative Rs30,965 million at end-February 2021.

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	Feb-21	Jan-21	Monthly Change		Feb-20	Annual Change	
	(Rs Mn)	(Rs Mn)	(Rs Mn)	(Per Cent)	(Rs Mn)	(Rs Mn)	(Per Cent)
1. Net Foreign Assets	286,606	305,407	-18,801	-6.2	273,905	12,702	4.6
Claims on Nonresidents	293,247	308,177	-14,930	-4.8	274,205	19,042	6.9
Liabilities to Nonresidents	6,641	2,770	3,871	139.7	300	6,341	2,111.4
2. Domestic Claims	11,329	12,883	-1,555	12.1	-9,615	20,944	217.8
A. Net Claims on Central Government	-30,965	-29,268	-1,698	-5.8	-13,685	-17,281	-126.3
B. Claims on Other Sectors	40,256	40,111	145	0.4	4,032	36,225	898.4
C. Claims on Other Depository Corporations	2,038	2,040	-2	-0.1	38	2,000	5,330.5
3. ASSETS = LIABILITIES	297,935	318,290	-20,355	-6.4	264,289	33,645	12.7
4. Monetary Base	195,992	214,151	-18,160	-8.5	122,047	73,944	60.6
A. Currency in Circulation	43,571	44,509	-939	-2.1	39,385	4,186	10.6
B. Liabilities to Other Depository Corporations	119,236	136,395	-17,159	-12.6	82,528	36,708	44.5
C. Liabilities to Other Sectors	33,185	33,247	-62	-0.2	135	33,050	24,518.0
5. Other Liabilities to Other Depository Corporations	86,147	87,295	-1,149	-1.3	88,535	-2,388	-2.7
6. Deposits and Securities other than Shares, Excluded from Monetary Base	22,107	22,719	-612	-2.7	24,695	-2,589	-10.5
7. Other	-6,310	-5,875	-435	7.4	29,012	-35,322	-121.8

Figures may not add up to totals due to rounding.

Source: Economic Analysis and Research and Statistics Department