



Central Bank Survey: End-March 2021

The monetary base picked up by Rs258 million or 0.1 per cent, from Rs195,992 million at the end of February 2021 to Rs196,250 million at the end of March 2021, compared to a decrease of 8.5 per cent registered between end-January 2021 and end-February 2021. The rise in the monetary base resulted from increases in currency in circulation and liabilities to Other Depository Corporations. The annual growth rate of the monetary base dropped from 60.6 per cent in February 2021 to 55.3 per cent in March 2021.

On the sources side of the monetary base, the net foreign assets of the Bank went up by Rs6,163 million or 2.2 per cent to Rs292,769 million at the end of March 2021. Net Claims on Central Government dropped by Rs9,282 million to negative Rs40,247 million at end-March 2021.

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	Mar-21	Feb-21	Monthly Change		Mar-20	Annual Change	
	(Rs Mn)	(Rs Mn)	(Rs Mn)	(Per Cent)	(Rs Mn)	(Rs Mn)	(Per Cent)
1. Net Foreign Assets	292,769	286,606	6,163	2.2	276,299	16,470	6.0
Claims on Nonresidents	297,548	293,247	4,301	1.5	276,647	20,901	7.6
Liabilities to Nonresidents	4,779	6,641	-1,862	-28.0	348	4,431	1,274.2
2. Domestic Claims	6	11,329	-11,323	99.9	-9,137	9,143	100.1
A. Net Claims on Central Government	-40,247	-30,965	-9,282	-30.0	-13,755	-26,492	-192.6
B. Claims on Other Sectors	40,239	40,256	-17	0.0	4,037	36,202	896.9
C. Claims on Other Depository Corporations	14	2,038	-2,024	-99.3	582	-568	-97.6
3. ASSETS = LIABILITIES	292,775	297,935	-5,160	-1.7	267,162	25,613	9.6
4. Monetary Base	196,250	195,992	258	0.1	126,403	69,847	55.3
A. Currency in Circulation	44,859	43,571	1,288	3.0	40,532	4,328	10.7
B. Liabilities to Other Depository Corporations	119,482	119,236	246	0.2	85,742	33,740	39.4
C. Liabilities to Other Sectors	31,909	33,185	-1,276	-3.8	130	31,780	24,537.6
5. Other Liabilities to Other Depository Corporations	82,686	86,147	-3,460	-4.0	84,495	-1,809	-2.1
6. Deposits and Securities other than Shares, Excluded from Monetary Base	18,154	22,107	-3,953	-17.9	23,484	-5,330	-22.7
7. Other	-4,315	-6,310	1,995	-31.6	32,780	-37,095	-113.2

Figures may not add up to totals due to rounding.

Source: Economic Analysis and Research and Statistics Department