

## **Monetary Developments: May 2018**

The year-on-year (y-o-y) growth rate of Broad Money Liabilities (BML) decelerated in May 2018. BML grew by 8.0 per cent, y-o-y, in May 2018, down from 9.6 per cent in April 2018. Between end-April 2018 and end-May 2018, BML fell by Rs0.9 billion, or by 0.2 per cent, reflecting decreases in narrow money liabilities and quasi-money liabilities, more than offsetting the increase in securities other than shares.

The y-o-y growth rate of net foreign assets of depository corporations gained further momentum in May 2018. The annual growth rate of net foreign assets (NFA) of depository corporations stood at 7.2 per cent in May 2018, higher compared to the increase of 3.9 per cent in April 2018.

Y-o-y, claims on other sectors (excluding financial derivatives) grew by 5.2 per cent in May 2018, lower compared to an increase of 6.5 per cent in April 2018. Between end-April 2018 and end-May 2018, claims on other sectors (excluding financial derivatives) fell by Rs6.0 billion, or by 1.3 per cent to Rs439.2 billion. Net claims on central government declined by Rs2.0 billion, or by 2.7 per cent to Rs72.9 billion in May 2018.

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|  |         |               |                       |          |         |                     | (Rs million) |
|--|---------|---------------|-----------------------|----------|---------|---------------------|--------------|
| Components of Broad Money Liabilities                        | May     | April<br>2018 | Month-on-Month change |          | May     | Year-on-Year change |              |
|  | 2018    |               | Amount                | Per cent | 2017    | Amount              | Per cent     |
| 1. Currency with Public                                      | 28.892  | 29.305        | -414                  | -1.4     | 28.038  | 853                 | 3.           |
| 2. Transferable Deposits                                     | 83,171  | 84,587        | -1,416                | -1.7     | 74,631  | 8,540               | 11.          |
| . Narrow Money Liabilities (1+2)                             | 112,062 | 113,892       | -1,830                | -1.6     | 102,669 | 9,393               | 9.1          |
| 1. Savings Deposits  | 211,351 | 212,183       | -832                  | -0.4     | 197,017 | 14,334              | 7.           |
| 2. Time Deposits   | 105,649 | 106,429       | -780                  | -0.7     | 105,172 | 477                 | 0.           |
| 3. Foreign Currency Deposits                                 | 84,226  | 83,568        | 658                   | 0.8      | 82,429  | 1,796               | 2.           |
| II. Quasi-Money Liabilities (1+2+3)                          | 401,225 | 402,180       | -954                  | -0.2     | 384,619 | 16,607              | 4.3          |
| III. Securities other than Shares                            | 19,118  | 17,250        | 1,869                 | 10.8     | 5,734   | 13,384              | 233.4        |
| BROAD MONEY LIABILITIES (I+II+III)                           | 532,406 | 533,322       | -916                  | -0.2     | 493,023 | 39,383              | 8.           |
| Sources of Broad Money Liabilities                           |         |               |                       |          |         |                     |              |
| I. Net Foreign Assets  | 601,678 | 572,821       | 28,857                | 5.0      | 561,429 | 40,250              | 7.           |
| Bank of Mauritius  | 221,942 | 214,373       | 7,569                 | 3.5      | 178,461 | 43,481              | 24.          |
| Other Depository Corporations                                | 379,736 | 358,447       | 21,289                | 5.9      | 382,967 | -3,231              | -0.          |
| 1. Net Claims on Central Government                          | 72,847  | 74,865        | -2,018                | -2.7     | 60,021  | 12,826              | 21.4         |
| Bank of Mauritius  | -18,574 | -17,572       | -1,002                | -5.7     | -35,352 | 16,778              | 47.          |
| Other Depository Corporations                                | 91,420  | 92,437        | -1,016                | -1.1     | 95,372  | -3,952              | -4.          |
| 2. Claims on Other Sectors *                                 | 442,037 | 503,874       | -61,837               | -12.3    | 471,439 | -29,402             | -6.2         |
| Bank of Mauritius  | 3,839   | 3,832         | 7                     | 0.2      | 3,766   | 72                  | 1.           |
| Other Depository Corporations                                | 438,199 | 500,042       | -61,843               | -12.4    | 467,673 | -29,474             | -6.          |
| 2.1 Claims on other sectors, excluding financial derivatives | 439,152 | 445,128       | -5,976                | - 1.3    | 417,538 | 21,614              | 5.2          |
| II. Domestic Claims (1+2)                                    | 514,884 | 578,739       | -63,855               | -11.0    | 531,460 | -16,576             | -3.1         |
| III. Net Non-Monetary Liabilities                            | 584,156 | 618,238       | -34,082               | -5.5     | 599,866 | -15,709             | -2.          |
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\*Effective May 2018, Financial Derivatives are recorded at market or fair values and are not strictly comparable with prior months' data. Figures may not add up to totals due to rounding.

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