

Monetary Developments: March 2011

Broad Money Liabilities (BML) edged up by Rs125 million, from Rs315,276 million at the end of February 2011 to Rs315,401 million at the end of March 2011. The annual growth rate of BML dropped to 6.1 per cent at the end of March 2011, from 6.7 per cent at the end of February 2011.

With regard to the counterparts of BML, domestic credit went down by Rs2,980 million, or 1.0 per cent, from Rs304,410 million at the end of February 2011 to Rs301,430 million at the end of March 2011 as against an increase of 0.8 per cent in the previous month. The annual rate of growth of domestic credit decreased to 7.6 per cent at the end of March 2011, from 10.4 per cent at the end of February 2011. Net claims on budgetary central government fell by Rs3,605 million or 7.1 per cent, from Rs50,795 million at the end of February 2011 to Rs47,190 million at the end of March 2011. Claims on private sector rose by Rs625 million to Rs254,240 million at the end of March 2011 or by 0.2 per cent, compared to an increase of 1.3 per cent recorded in the previous month. The annual growth rate of claims on private sector fell from 12.2 per cent at the end of February 2011 to 10.9 per cent at the end of March 2011.

The net foreign assets of depository corporations increased by Rs1,230 million or 1.2 per cent, from Rs105,403 million at the end of February 2011 to Rs106,633 million at the end of March 2011 as against a decrease of 2.4 per cent in the previous month. The annual growth rate of net foreign assets was 3.0 per cent, higher than the growth of 0.4 per cent at the end of February 2011.

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COMPONENTS AND SOURCES OF BROAD MONEY LIABILITIES*

(Rs million)

| | March | February | Month-on-Month change | | March | Year-on-Year change | |
|---|---------|----------|-----------------------|----------|---------|---------------------|----------|
| Components of Broad Money Liabilities | 2011 | 2011 | Amount | Per cent | 2010 | Amount | Per cent |
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| 1. Currency with Public | 17.492 | 17,749 | -257 | -1.4 | 15,845 | 1,647 | 10.4 |
| 2. Transferable Deposits | 42,519 | 42,312 | 207 | 0.5 | 43,002 | -483 | -1.1 |
| I. Narrow Money Liabilities (1+2) | 60,012 | 60,061 | -50 | -0.1 | 58,847 | 1,165 | 2.0 |
| Savings Deposits | 106,417 | 106,217 | 200 | 0.2 | 87,452 | 18,964 | 21.7 |
| 2. Time Deposits | 90,280 | 90,487 | -207 | -0.2 | 93,113 | -2,833 | -3.0 |
| 3. Foreign Currency Deposits | 55,215 | 55,378 | -163 | -0.3 | 57,093 | -1,878 | -3.3 |
| II. Quasi-Money Liabilities (1+2+3) | 251,912 | 252,082 | -170 | -0.1 | 237,659 | 14,253 | 6.0 |
| III. Securities other than Shares | 3,477 | 3,133 | 344 | 11.0 | 806 | 2,671 | 331.2 |
| BROAD MONEY LIABILITIES (I+II+III) | 315,401 | 315,276 | 125 | 0.0 | 297,312 | 18,089 | 6.1 |
| Sources of Broad Money Liabilities | | | | | | | |
| I. Net Foreign Assets | 106,633 | 105,403 | 1,230 | 1.2 | 103,539 | 3,094 | 3.0 |
| Bank of Mauritius | 72,346 | 70,596 | 1,750 | 2.5 | 63,322 | 9,023 | 14.2 |
| Other Depository Corporations | 34,287 | 34,807 | -520 | -1.5 | 40,217 | -5,929 | -14.7 |
| 1. Net Claims on Budgetary Central Government | 47,190 | 50,795 | -3,605 | -7.1 | 50,841 | -3,651 | -7.2 |
| Bank of Mauritius | -5,236 | -1,947 | -3,290 | -169.0 | -6,484 | 1,247 | 19.2 |
| Other Depository Corporations | 52,426 | 52,742 | -316 | -0.6 | 57,325 | -4,898 | -8.5 |
| 2. Claims on Private Sector | 254,240 | 253,615 | 625 | 0.2 | 229,303 | 24,937 | 10.9 |
| Bank of Mauritius | 131 | 146 | -15 | -10.0 | 131 | 0 | 0.3 |
| Other Depository Corporations | 254,109 | 253,469 | 639 | 0.3 | 229,172 | 24,936 | |
| II. Domestic Credit (1+2) | 301,430 | 304,410 | -2,980 | -1.0 | 280,145 | 21,285 | 7.6 |
| III. Net Non-Monetary Liabilities | 92,662 | 94,537 | -1,875 | -2.0 | 86,371 | 6,291 | 7.3 |
| BROAD MONEY LIABILITES (I+II-III) | 315,401 | 315,276 | 125 | 0.0 | 297,312 | 18,089 | 6.1 |

Figures may not add up to totals due to rounding.

* Based on the new methodology of the IMF's Depository Corporations Survey framework.
Source: Statistics Division.