Table 40: Exchange Rate of the Rupee vis-à-vis Major Trading Partner Currencies: December 2003 and December 2004

| Indicative<br>Selling Rates | Average for 12 Months ended December 2003 [1] | Average for<br>12 Months<br>ended December 2004<br>[2] | Appreciation/ (Depreciation)  of Rupee  Between [1] & [2]  Per Cent |
|-----------------------------|---|--|---|
| Australian dollar           | 18.6967                                       | 20.5989  | (9.2)   |
| Hong Kong dollar            | 3.6989  | 3.6254   | 2.0   |
| Indian rupee (100)          | 62.5040                                       | 62.8425  | (0.5)   |
| Japanese yen (100)          | 24.7110                                       | 25.8964  | (4.6)   |
| Kenya shilling (100)        | 38.2962                                       | 36.0465  | 6.2   |
| New Zealand dollar          | 16.7587                                       | 18.7105  | (10.4)  |
| Singapore dollar            | 16.5752                                       | 16.7193  | (0.9)   |
| South African rand          | 3.8611  | 4.4475   | (13.2)  |
| Swiss franc                 | 21.2078                                       | 22.5163  | (5.8)   |
| US dollar                   | 28.5549                                       | 27.9590  | 2.1   |
| Pound sterling              | 46.6188                                       | 51.2678  | (9.1)   |
| Euro <sup>1</sup>           | 32.2748                                       | 34.7338  | (7.1)   |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Effective 1 January 2002, euro banknotes and coins have been introduced in replacement of the national currencies of the member states of the euro area.

## Notes:

- (i) [1] is calculated on the basis of the monthly average exchange rates for the period January 2003 to December 2003. [2] is calculated on the basis of the monthly average exchange rates for the period January 2004 to December 2004.
- (ii) With effect from October 1998, the daily average exchange rate of the Rupee is based on the average selling rates for T.T.& D.D. of all Category 1 Banks.
- (iii) The appreciation/depreciation of the Rupee is calculated as follows:

  (Previous period exchange rate Current period exchange rate) ÷ Current period exchange rate.