

Table 26 : Maintenance of Cash Ratio by Banks : 12 January 2006 - 18 January 2007

Week Ended	Deposit Base ¹	Average Cash Balances Held for the Week	Required Minimum Cash Balances 4.0% of (1)	Excess Cash Holdings (2) - (3)	Average Cash Ratios (2) / (1)
	(1)	(2)	(3)		
	(Rs million)				(Per cent)
12-Jan-06	153,782	7,228	6,151	1,077	4.70
19-Jan-06	154,524	8,157	6,181	1,976	5.28
26-Jan-06	155,377	8,058	6,215	1,843	5.19
02-Feb-06	156,903	7,949	6,276	1,673	5.07
09-Feb-06	157,943	7,095	6,318	777	4.49
16-Feb-06	157,893	6,892	6,316	576	4.37
23-Feb-06	156,841	8,233	6,274	1,959	5.25
02-Mar-06	157,035	8,415	6,281	2,134	5.36
09-Mar-06	159,497	8,480	6,380	2,100	5.32
16-Mar-06	160,653	8,151	6,426	1,725	5.07
23-Mar-06	160,906	8,128	6,436	1,692	5.05
30-Mar-06	160,724	8,134	6,429	1,705	5.06
06-Apr-06	161,091	8,216	6,444	1,772	5.10
13-Apr-06	162,373	7,926	6,495	1,431	4.88
20-Apr-06	161,097	8,076	6,444	1,632	5.01
27-Apr-06	161,113	7,884	6,445	1,439	4.89
04-May-06	161,699	7,920	6,468	1,452	4.90
11-May-06	162,609	7,550	6,504	1,046	4.64
18-May-06	162,454	7,399	6,498	901	4.55
25-May-06	158,466	7,796	6,339	1,457	4.92
01-Jun-06	158,189	7,274	6,328	946	4.60
08-Jun-06	159,093	7,155	6,364	791	4.50
15-Jun-06	158,592	7,818	6,344	1,474	4.93
22-Jun-06	159,948	7,862	6,398	1,464	4.92
29-Jun-06	160,467	8,057	6,419	1,638	5.02
06-Jul-06	161,150	9,014	6,446	2,568	5.59
13-Jul-06	165,065	8,904	6,603	2,301	5.39
20-Jul-06	170,489	8,712	6,820	1,892	5.11
27-Jul-06	171,286	8,190	6,851	1,339	4.78
03-Aug-06	173,272	7,993	6,931	1,062	4.61
10-Aug-06	174,235	7,686	6,969	717	4.41
17-Aug-06	174,004	7,290	6,960	330	4.19
24-Aug-06	173,721	7,563	6,949	614	4.35
31-Aug-06	174,606	7,051	6,984	67	4.04
07-Sep-06	175,519	7,184	7,021	163	4.09
14-Sep-06	176,292	7,328	7,052	276	4.16
21-Sep-06	175,327	7,748	7,013	735	4.42
28-Sep-06	176,298	7,878	7,052	826	4.47
05-Oct-06	175,017	7,553	7,001	552	4.32
12-Oct-06	177,149	7,218	7,086	132	4.07
19-Oct-06	175,200	7,419	7,008	411	4.23
26-Oct-06	174,733	7,312	6,989	323	4.18
02-Nov-06	173,700	7,495	6,948	547	4.31
09-Nov-06	175,301	7,634	7,012	622	4.35
16-Nov-06	175,129	7,719	7,005	714	4.41
23-Nov-06	173,699	7,634	6,948	686	4.39
30-Nov-06	175,349	7,406	7,014	392	4.22
07-Dec-06	174,124	7,165	6,965	200	4.12
14-Dec-06	175,467	7,566	7,019	547	4.31
21-Dec-06	174,464	8,334	6,979	1,355	4.78
28-Dec-06	176,164	8,177	7,047	1,130	4.64
04-Jan-07	178,528	8,094	7,141	953	4.53
11-Jan-07	178,996	8,583	7,160	1,423	4.79
18-Jan-07	179,818	7,688	7,193	495	4.28

¹ The deposit base is lagged by one week.

With effect from the week ended 12 January 2006, the cash ratio that banks are required to maintain has been set at 4.0 per cent.

The cash balances consist exclusively of balances held by banks with the Bank of Mauritius.

The maintenance period for cash reserve ratio requirement has been lengthened from one week to two weeks as from 19 January 2007.