Table 34: Exchange Rate of the Rupee vis-à-vis Major Trading Partner Currencies: June 2003 and June 2004

| Indicative Selling Rates | Average for 12 Months ended June 2003 [1] | Average for 12 Months ended June 2004 [2] | Appreciation/ (Depreciation) of Rupee Between [1] & [2] Per Cent |
|-----------------------------|---|--|---|
| Australian dollar | 17.0124 | 19.9852 | (14.9) |
| Hong Kong dollar | 3.7567 | 3.6421 | 3.1 |
| Indian rupee (100) | 61.8520 | 62.9209 | (1.7) |
| Japanese yen (100) | 24.2951 | 25.3587 | (4.2) |
| Kenya shilling (100) | 38.2343 | 37.1451 | 2.9 |
| New Zealand dollar | 15.2294 | 17.6957 | (13.9) |
| Singapore dollar | 16.7232 | 16.5125 | 1.3 |
| South African rand | 3.2894 | 4.1525 | (20.8) |
| Swiss franc | 20.5367 | 21.4961 | (4.5) |
| US dollar | 29.0384 | 28.0769 | 3.4 |
| Pound sterling | 46.0027 | 48.6704 | (5.5) |
| Euro ¹ | 30.3656 | 33.3191 | (8.9) |

¹ 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 July 2002 to June 2003. [2] is calculated on the basis of the monthly average exchange rates for the period July 2003 to June 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.