

**Table 26: Maintenance of Cash Ratio by Banks : 12 January 2006 - 26 October 2006**

| Week Ended | Deposit Base <sup>1</sup><br>(1) | Average Cash Balances Held for the Week<br>(2) | Required Minimum Cash Balances 4.0% of (1)<br>(3) | Excess Cash Holdings<br>(2) - (3) | Average Cash Ratios (2) / (1)<br>(Per cent) |
|------------|----------------------------------|--|---|-----------------------------------|---|
|            | <i>(Rs million)</i>              |  |   |                                   | <i>(Per cent)</i>                           |
| 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  |

<sup>1</sup> 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.