

**Table 21: Maintenance of Cash Ratio by Category 1 Banks: July - September 2003**

<b>Week Ended</b>	<b>Deposit Base<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Average Cash Balances Held for the Week</b>	<b>Required Minimum Cash Balances 5.5% of (1)</b>	<b>Excess Cash Holdings</b>	<b>Average Cash Ratios</b>
	<b>(1)</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>(2) - (3)</b>	<b>(2) / (1)</b>
	<b>(Rs million)</b>				<b>(Per cent)</b>
<b>3-Jul-03</b>	112,938	6,859	6,212	647	<b>6.07</b>
<b>10-Jul-03</b>	114,908	6,743	6,320	423	<b>5.87</b>
<b>17-Jul-03</b>	114,821	6,731	6,315	416	<b>5.86</b>
<b>24-Jul-03</b>	114,459	6,385	6,295	90	<b>5.58</b>
<b>31-Jul-03</b>	114,342	6,464	6,289	175	<b>5.65</b>
<b>7-Aug-03</b>	114,721	6,722	6,310	412	<b>5.86</b>
<b>14-Aug-03</b>	116,572	6,549	6,411	138	<b>5.62</b>
<b>21-Aug-03</b>	116,379	6,703	6,401	302	<b>5.76</b>
<b>28-Aug-03</b>	116,342	6,964	6,399	565	<b>5.99</b>
<b>4-Sep-03</b>	116,457	7,022	6,405	617	<b>6.03</b>
<b>11-Sep-03</b>	117,520	6,883	6,464	419	<b>5.86</b>
<b>18-Sep-03</b>	117,700	6,821	6,474	347	<b>5.79</b>
<b>25-Sep-03</b>	117,503	7,265	6,463	802	<b>6.18</b>

<sup>1</sup> The deposit base is lagged by one week.