

**Table 1 : Selected Economic Indicators : 1999 - 2008**

|   | Period                 | Unit         | 1999      | 2000      | 2001      | 2002      | 2003                | 2004      | 2005                | 2006                 | 2007                 | 2008                 |
|---|------------------------|--------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------------------|-----------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| 1. Population-Republic of Mauritius <sup>1*</sup>                     | Mid-year               |              | 1,175,267 | 1,186,873 | 1,199,881 | 1,210,196 | 1,222,811           | 1,233,386 | 1,243,252           | 1,252,698            | 1,260,403            | 265,706 <sup>4</sup> |
| 2. Tourist Arrivals <sup>***</sup>                                    | Fiscal Year ended June |              | 565,324   | 620,030   | 658,351   | 667,236   | 694,247             | 699,389   | 735,495             | 771,889              | 860,252              | 930,616              |
| 3. Tourist Earnings   | Fiscal Year ended June | (Rs million) | 12,764    | 14,344    | 15,527    | 19,045    | 17,998              | 22,394    | 24,097              | 28,571               | 36,243               | 43,105               |
| 4. Real GDP Growth Rate <sup>*5</sup>                                 | Calendar Year          | (Per cent)   | 2.1       | 9.7       | 5.2       | 2.6       | 4.4                 | 4.8       | 2.3                 | 5.1 <sup>2</sup>     | 5.4 <sup>2</sup>     | 5.7 <sup>4</sup>     |
| 5. Gross Domestic Product (at market prices) <sup>*5</sup>            | Calendar Year          | (Rs million) | 108,075   | 120,290   | 132,146   | 142,484   | 157,394             | 175,598   | 185,348             | 206,328 <sup>2</sup> | 235,532 <sup>2</sup> | 265,706 <sup>4</sup> |
| 6. Gross National Income (at market prices) <sup>*5</sup>             | Calendar Year          | (Rs million) | 107,482   | 119,507   | 132,539   | 142,880   | 156,561             | 175,207   | 185,109             | 207,961 <sup>2</sup> | 243,023 <sup>2</sup> | 273,422 <sup>4</sup> |
| 7. GNI Per Capita (at market prices) <sup>*5</sup>                    | Calendar Year          | (Rupees)     | 91,440    | 100,666   | 110,434   | 118,036   | 128,003             | 142,020   | 148,857             | 165,972 <sup>2</sup> | 192,814 <sup>2</sup> | 215,463 <sup>4</sup> |
| 8. Inflation Rate <sup>*</sup>  | Fiscal Year ended June | (Per cent)   | 7.9       | 5.3       | 4.4       | 6.3       | 5.1                 | 3.9       | 5.6                 | 5.1                  | 10.7                 | 8.8                  |
| 9. Inflation Rate <sup>*</sup>  | Calendar Year          | (Per cent)   | 6.9       | 4.2       | 5.4       | 6.4       | 3.9                 | 4.7       | 4.9                 | 8.9                  | 8.8                  | n.a                  |
| 10. Unemployment Rate <sup>*9</sup>                                   | Calendar Year          | (Per cent)   | 7.7       | 6.5       | 6.8       | 7.2       | 7.7                 | 8.4       | 9.6                 | 9.1                  | 8.5 <sup>2</sup>     | 8.0 <sup>4</sup>     |
| 11. Current Account Balance   | Fiscal Year ended June | (Rs million) | -1,622    | -1,451    | +4,257    | +7,458    | +3,554              | +1,383    | -6,321 <sup>2</sup> | -10,188 <sup>2</sup> | -17,404 <sup>2</sup> | -21,964 <sup>4</sup> |
| 12. Current Account Balance   | Calendar Year          | (Rs million) | -3,128    | -899      | +8,038    | +7,472    | +2,658              | -3,181    | -9,569 <sup>2</sup> | -19,399 <sup>2</sup> | -12,139 <sup>3</sup> | n.a                  |
| 13. Overall Balance of Payments <sup>6</sup>                          | Fiscal Year ended June | (Rs million) | +690      | +2,141    | +5,107    | +5,908    | +9,099              | +3,225    | -3,133              | -3,019               | +6,603               | +9,110               |
| 14. Overall Balance of Payments <sup>6</sup>                          | Calendar Year          | (Rs million) | +4,803    | +6,415    | -1,314    | +10,198   | +6,205              | -857      | -4,888              | -4,573               | +13,880              | n.a                  |
| 15. Net International Reserves <sup>10</sup>                          | End-June               | (Rs million) | 22,575    | 25,214    | 31,760    | 40,551    | 50,236 <sup>^</sup> | 54,746    | 65,805              | 64,740               | 83,499               | 83,946               |
| 16. Total Imports (c.i.f.) <sup>*7</sup>                              | Fiscal Year ended June | (Rs million) | 54,076    | 55,048    | 56,204    | 58,151    | 66,267              | 69,586    | 84,324              | 101,148              | 117,797 <sup>3</sup> | 130,806 <sup>3</sup> |
| 17. Total Exports (f.o.b.) <sup>*7</sup>                              | Fiscal Year ended June | (Rs million) | 41,702    | 38,845    | 45,222    | 47,938    | 53,247              | 54,203    | 57,857              | 64,082               | 72,840 <sup>3</sup>  | 67,844 <sup>3</sup>  |
| 18. Government Recurrent Revenue <sup>**</sup>                        | Fiscal Year ended June | (Rs million) | 21,327    | 22,605    | 24,149    | 24,606    | 29,487              | 32,404    | 35,074              | 38,183               | 41,335 <sup>2</sup>  | n.a                  |
| 19. Government Recurrent Expenditure <sup>**</sup>                    | Fiscal Year ended June | (Rs million) | 24,743    | 25,435    | 31,398    | 29,577    | 33,529              | 36,879    | 40,564              | 45,237               | 48,215 <sup>2</sup>  | n.a                  |
| 20. Ratio of Budget Deficit to GDP at market prices <sup>**</sup>     | Fiscal Year ended June | (Per cent)   | -3.6      | -3.8      | -6.7      | -6.1      | -6.2                | -5.4      | -5.0                | -5.3                 | -4.3 <sup>2</sup>    | -3.8 <sup>3</sup>    |
| 21. External Debt : Central Government <sup>**8</sup>                 | End-June               | (Rs million) | 10,193    | 10,190    | 7,168     | 8,785     | 9,074               | 8,445     | 9,232               | 8,535                | 13,452               | 12,482               |
| 22. Internal Debt : Central Government                                | End-June               | (Rs million) | 40,819    | 46,641    | 53,394    | 67,095    | 86,413              | 85,002    | 96,584              | 104,829              | 108,668              | 109,836              |
| 23. Banks' Claims on Private Sector (CPS) <sup>11</sup>               | End-June               | (Rs million) | 60,106    | 67,271    | 74,016    | 79,976    | 85,080              | 93,120    | 102,069             | 119,471              | 131,381              | 155,847              |
| 24. Growth Rate of CPS  | Fiscal Year ended June | (Per cent)   | 20.4      | 11.9      | 10.0      | 8.1       | 6.4                 | 9.4       | 9.6                 | 13.7                 | 10.0                 | 18.6                 |
| 25. Currency Outside Depository Corporations                          | End-June               | (Rs million) |           |           |           |           | 7,423               | 8,400     | 9,649               | 10,432               | 11,597               | 12,914               |
| 26. Total Private Sector Rupee Deposits with Banks <sup>11</sup>      | End-June               | (Rs million) | 67,323    | 75,522    | 79,869    | 90,439    | 100,993             | 115,513   | 121,212             | 135,159              | 147,474              | 174,330              |
| 27. Broad Money Liabilities (BML)                                     | End-June               | (Rs million) |           |           |           |           | 138,273             | 163,570   | 185,870             | 198,415              | 215,408              | 252,175              |
| 28. Growth Rate of BML  | Fiscal Year ended June | (Per cent)   |           |           |           |           |                     | 18.3      | 13.6                | 6.7                  | 8.6                  | 17.1                 |
| 29. Claims on Other Sectors by Depository Corporations                | End-June               | (Rs million) |           |           |           |           | 108,124             | 116,013   | 128,383             | 150,061              | 168,207              | 205,533              |
| 30. Growth Rate of Claims on Other Sectors by Depository Corporations | Fiscal Year ended June | (Per cent)   |           |           |           |           |                     | 7.3       | 10.7                | 16.9                 | 12.1                 | 22.2                 |

<sup>1</sup> Excluding Agalega and Saint Brandon.

<sup>2</sup> Revised.

<sup>3</sup> Provisional.

<sup>4</sup> Forecast.

<sup>5</sup> The National Accounts data are based on the 2002 Census of Economic Activities.

<sup>6</sup> As from fiscal year 2001-02 and calendar year 2002, valuation changes are excluded from reserve assets transactions.

<sup>7</sup> As from 2002, data on imports and exports include transactions through the Mauritius Freeport.

<sup>8</sup> As from end-June 1999, external debt includes Government Securities held by foreign investors.

<sup>9</sup> As from 2000, data on unemployment rate are not strictly comparable with the mid-year estimates published up to 1999. Data as from 2000 are derived from the Continuous Multi-Purpose Household Survey.

<sup>10</sup> Prior to June 2005, include the Net Foreign Assets of 11 former Category 1 banks. With effect from June 2005, include the Net Foreign Assets of banks, adjusted for transactions of Global Business Licence Holders.

<sup>11</sup> Figures for June 2006 and June 2007 refer to 18 banks and figures for June 2008 refer to 19 banks and are not strictly comparable with prior data.

<sup>^</sup>Data for end-June 2003 is based on the methodology of the IMF's Depository Corporations Survey framework. Data prior to 2003 is based on the previous manual 'IMF guide to Money and Banking Statistics 1984'

n.a.: Not available.

\* Source: Central Statistics Office, Government of Mauritius.

\*\* Source: Ministry of Finance and Economic Development.

\*\*\* Source: Ministry of Tourism, Leisure and External Communications.

Source: Statistics Division.