

**PRESS COMMUNIQUE**  
**ISSUES OF GOVERNMENT SECURITIES DURING FISCAL YEAR 2008-09**

Pursuant to the communiqué dated 1 August 2008 regarding issues of Government Securities during fiscal year 2008-09, the public is hereby informed that the third and last auction of Long-Term Bonds was held on 18 March 2009. No bid was, however, accepted by the Bank.

Accordingly, the Bank is pleased to announce a new auction of Long-Term Bonds for a nominal amount of Rs1.0 billion with maturities ranging from 7 to 20 years on Wednesday 20 May 2009 for settlement on Friday 22 May 2009.

A prospectus outlining the terms and conditions for the issue of Long-Term Bonds will be published prior to the issue.

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