



Press Release

Remittance Statistics: First Quarter of 2025

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The Bank compiles remittance statistics from banks and foreign exchange dealers to meet the requirements of two different initiatives at the national level, notably, the National Migration and Development Policy and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

1. Workers' remittances

Inward workers' remittances decreased to Rs676 million in 2025Q1 (Table 1), from Rs774 million in 2024Q1. They mainly originated from France, USA and United Kingdom.

Outward workers' remittances increased to Rs2,889 million in 2025Q1 (Table 2), from Rs2,701 million in 2024Q1. The top two recipient countries were India and Bangladesh.

Table 1: Inward Workers' Remittances
Top 10 Source Countries

	Amount (Rs million)	Share of total (per cent)
Total	676	
<i>o/w:</i>		
France	139	20.5
USA	136	20.1
United Kingdom	91	13.5
Italy	28	4.2
Canada	24	3.5
South Africa	23	3.4
Australia	22	3.2
Switzerland	19	2.8
United Arab Emirates	18	2.6
Ireland	15	2.2

Table 2: Outward Workers' Remittances
Top 5 Destination Countries

	Amount (Rs million)	Share of total (per cent)
Total	2,889	
<i>o/w:</i>		
India	1,167	40.4
Bangladesh	890	30.8
Nepal	375	13.0
France	75	2.6
China	70	2.4

2. Remittance cost

Mauritius continues to be compliant with the United Nations SDGs, target 10.c, that is, to reduce to less than 3 per cent the transaction costs of migrant remittances.

The overall average charges for inward workers' remittances, based on the amount transferred, stood at 0.06 per cent in 2025Q1, and ranged from nil to 0.3 per cent for individual reporting entities. The overall average commissions for outward workers' remittances charged by domestic banks and foreign exchange dealers amounted to 1.0 per cent in 2025Q1. For individual reporting entities, the average charge varied between nil and 2.1 per cent of the total.

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Note : Remittance statistics pertain to transactions that go through formal channels and exclude those that are either in kind or hand-carried.