

RBI reorganises Weekly Statistical Supplement (WSS)

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The Reserve Bank of India has changed some of the tables in its Weekly Statistical Supplement (WSS) to the monthly Bulletin of the Reserve Bank of India. Released every Saturday, the supplement contains data on economy, banking and financial markets. The changes have been necessitated on account of some recent decisions, such as, discontinuation of auctions of 14-day and 182-day Government of India Treasury Bills with effect from the week beginning May 14, 2001, operationalisation of Liquidity Adjustment Facility (LAF) effective June 5, 2000 and the decision to disseminate information on cumulative cash balances held by the Scheduled Commercial Banks (excluding Regional Rural Banks) with Reserve Bank of India. Implementation of these decisions have necessitated some new tables, changes in the formats of some existing tables and has made some tables redundant. The changes made in the tables reflect these decisions.

Details of the changes with effect from the WSS dated August 4, 2001 are:

1. Tables (No. 9 and No. 11 in the existing WSS) presenting data on auctions of 14-day and 182-day Government of India Treasury Bills have been discontinued.
2. Accordingly, formats of related tables (No. 17b, 19 and 21 on turnover in Government securities market, treasury bills outstanding and Secondary market transactions in Government securities, have been revised. These tables contained details of 14-day and 182-day Government of India Treasury Bills.
3. A new table (no. 9) containing data on Repo/Reverse Repo Auctions under Liquidity Adjustment Facility (LAF) has been introduced. The data would be presented for all the dates on which LAF auctions have been held during the relevant week.
4. Another new table (No. 12) will present data on Cumulative Cash Balances of Scheduled Commercial Banks (excluding the Regional Rural Banks) with the Reserve Bank of India. This data would be reported on a daily cumulative basis for the reporting fortnight.

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