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A.P. (DIR Series) Circular No. 129

May 21, 2012

To,

All Authorised Dealer Category - I Banks

Madam / Sir,

Risk Management and Inter Bank Dealings

Attention of Authorized Dealers Category – I (AD Category – I) banks is invited to para 2 (v) of the <u>A.P.(DIR Series) Circular No.58 dated December 15, 2011</u> and the subsequent clarifications issued by the Foreign Exchange Dealers' Association of India(FEDAI) vide its circular SPL-58/Risk Mgmt./2011 dated 21st December 2011 on the Net Overnight Open Position Limit (NOOPL) of the Authorised Dealers.

- 2. In view of the recent developments in the foreign exchange market, until further review, it has been decided as under:
 - The current NOOPL of the banks as applicable to the positions involving Rupee as one of the currencies shall not include the positions undertaken in the Currency Futures/Options segment in the exchanges.
 - ii. The positions in the exchanges (both Futures and Options) cannot be netted/offset by undertaking positions in the OTC market and vice-versa. The positions initiated in the exchanges shall be liquidated/closed in the exchanges only.
- iii. The position limit for the trading member AD Category-I bank in the exchanges for trading Currency Futures and Options shall be US\$ 100 million or 15 per cent of the outstanding open interest, whichever is lower.

- 3. Further, the AD Category- I banks are advised that they may bring down their positions to the above limits within June 30, 2012.
- 4. The directions contained in this circular have been issued under sections 10(4) and 11(1) of the Foreign Exchange Management Act 1999 (42 of 1999) and are without prejudice to permissions/approvals, if any, required under any other law.

Yours faithfully,

(Rudra Narayan Kar) Chief General Manager