

PRESS RELEASE

PROVISIONAL FIGURES ON LOAN ISSUES, EXTRAORDINARY PAYMENTS/
RECEIPTS AND CASH BALANCES
AS AT 31 MARCH 2011
ISSUED BY THE DIRECTOR GENERAL: NATIONAL TREASURY

Domestic short-term loans (net) decreased by R2 042 million during the month of March 2011, largely due to repayments to the Corporation for Public Deposits. Domestic long-term loans issued, inclusive of switches and the net of redemptions, increased by R12 416 million.

Net foreign loans increased by R5 162 million mainly due to the US\$750 million, 30 year global bond issued in the international capital market.

Extraordinary payments recorded losses on conversion of foreign currency transactions of R65 million while extraordinary receipts of R770 million were recorded resulting mainly from transfers from the petroleum products equalisation fund, Saambou Bank liability and the liquidation of the SASRIA investment.

Government's balances in the South African Reserve Bank accounts amounted to R129 153 million, which is higher than forecasted due to a foreign bond issue. Operational cash balances with commercial banks amount to R44 404 million.

More detailed information on the provisional figures will be included in the monthly statements of the National Revenue, Expenditure and Borrowing, which will be released on 29 April 2011.

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