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Location : 26° 22' N to 30° 27' North, 80° 4'E to 88° 12' East

Area : 147 181 Square Km.

Capital City : Kathmandu

Population * : 23,151,423

Population Growth Rate (1991-2001) *: 2.25%

Currency : Nepalese Rupee

World Heritage Sites : Lumbini, Chitawan National Park, Sagarmatha National Park, Pashupatinath, Swayambhunath, Buddhanath, Changu Narayan, Kathmandu Bhaktapur Durbar Square, Durbar Square, Patan Durbar Square,

* Population Census, 2001

Sources: tourism.gov.np & Central Bureau of Statistics

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Table 1
World Output Growth
(annual percent change)

Year	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008 ^P
World	4.8	2.5	3.1	4.0	5.3	4.4	5.0	4.9	3.7
China*	8.0	7.5	8.0	9.5	9.5	10.4	11.1	11.4	9.3
India*	6.0	4.2	4.7	7.4	7.3	9.0	9.7	9.2	7.9
Nepal**	6.1	5.6	0.1	3.9	4.7	3.1	2.8	2.5	-

* Compiled from WEO (September issue of 2003 and 2005, and October issue of 2001 and 2007)

p = projections, World output growth for 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008 based on

WEO update January, 2008

** Source = CBS, Nepal

Source: *World Economic Outlook (WEO)*, Oct. 2007, p. 215 and *WEO*, Apr. 2008.

Table 2
Consumer Prices
(annual percent change)

Year	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008 ^P
Advanced economies	2.2	2.1	1.5	1.8	2.0	2.3	2.4	2.2	2.6
China*	0.4	0.7	-0.8	1.2	3.9	1.8	1.5	4.8	5.9
India*	4.0	3.8	4.3	3.8	3.8	4.2	6.2	6.4	5.2
Nepal**	3.5	2.4	2.9	4.8	4.0	4.5	8.0	6.4	-

* Compiled from WEO (September issue of 2003 and 2005, and October issue of 2001 and 2007)

p = projections

** Source = NRB

Source: *World Economic Outlook (WEO)*, Oct. 2007, p. 223 & *WEO*, Apr. 2008, p. 2

Table 3
Key Macroeconomic Indicators

	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06 ^R	2006/07 ^E
Annual Percentage Change					
Real GDP at Producers' Price	3.9	4.7	3.1	2.8	2.5
Nominal GDP at Producers' Price	7.1	9.0	9.8	9.7	11.3
GNI at Current Price	7.1	8.9	10.5	10.2	11.1
Total Consumption	8.2	5.2	10.1	14.2	9.5
Total Investment	13.3	24.9	18.4	7.8	8.6
Gross National Saving	5.2	25.0	14.5	8.8	12.7
Gross Domestic Saving	-3.3	49.6	8.0	-25.0	31.7
Gross Fixed Capital Formation	9.1	11.3	7.7	15.2	8.0
Gross National Disposable Income	7.6	9.3	11.1	12.9	10.3
National Urban Consumer Price Index	4.8	4.0	4.5	8.0	6.4
National Wholesale Price Index	3.8	4.1	7.3	8.9	9.0
National Salary and Wage Rate Index				3.9	9.8
Money Supply (M1)	8.6	12.2	6.6	14.2	12.1
Broad Money (M2)	9.8	12.8	8.3	15.6	14.0
Domestic Credit	10.4	9.9	13.8	11.7	16.7
Domestic Credit to Private Sector	13.2	14.3	14.2	14.4	18.9
Time Deposits	10.4	13.1	9.2	16.4	14.9
Total Exports	6.4	8.0	8.9	2.6	0.9
Total Imports	15.8	9.6	9.7	16.3	10.3
Gross Forex Reserve	2.2	20.3	-0.2	27.0	0.0
Government Revenue	11.5	10.9	12.5	3.1	21.3
Government Tax Revenue	8.3	13.1	12.3	6.1	23.9
Government Expenditure	4.9	6.5	14.7	8.1	18.9
As % of Gross Domestic Product (Nominal GDP at Producers' Prices)					
Total Consumption	91.4	88.3	88.4	92.1	90.6
Total Investment	21.4	24.5	26.5	26.0	25.3
Gross National Saving	23.8	27.3	28.4	28.2	28.6
Gross Domestic Saving	8.6	11.7	11.6	7.9	9.4
Gross Fixed Capital Formation	19.9	20.3	19.9	20.9	20.3
Gross National Disposable Income	115.2	115.5	116.9	120.3	119.2
Money Supply (M1)	17.0	17.5	17.0	17.5	17.6
Broad Money (M2)	50.0	51.7	51.0	53.6	54.9
Domestic Credit	45.5	45.9	47.5	49.9	62.3
Domestic Credit to Private Sector	30.7	32.1	33.4	37.7	38.0
Time Deposits	32.9	34.2	34.0	36.2	37.3
Total Exports	10.1	10.0	10.0	9.3	8.5
Total Imports	25.3	25.4	25.4	26.9	26.6
Trade Balance	-15.1	-15.3	-15.4	-17.6	-18.2
Current Account Balance	2.4	2.7	2.0	2.2	0.5
Gross Forex Reserves	22.0	24.3	22.0	25.5	22.9
Government Revenue	11.4	11.6	11.9	11.2	12.2
Government Tax Revenue	8.7	9.0	9.2	8.9	9.9
Government Expenditure	17.1	16.7	17.4	17.2	18.3
Government Budgetary Deficit	3.3	2.9	3.1	3.8	4.1
Gross Domestic Borrowing	1.8	1.0	1.5	1.8	2.5
Net Domestic Borrowing	1.07	0.07	0.49	0.69	1.15

E Estimated.

R Revised

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics and Nepal Rastra Bank.

Table 4
Real Sector

(Rs. in million)

	2000/01	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06 ^R	2006/07 ^P
Real GDP at Producers' Price							
(Base Year : 2000/01 = 100)	441519	442048	459488	481003	496026	509911	522666
Real GDP at Basic Price							
(Base Year : 2000/01 = 100)	413429	414091	429699	448654	461452	475953	486842
Agriculture	155625	160421	165781	173734	179810	181811	183001
Non-agriculture	269830	266979	276366	291092	298822	312573	323753
Gross Capital Formation	98649	93020	105384	131670	155907	167991	182384
Gross Fixed Capital Formation	84751	89889	98073	109181	117539	135375	146198
Government	18063	17439	14719	14955	17213	17904	19039
Private	66687	72450	83354	94226	100326	117471	127159
Change in Stock	13899	3130	7311	22489	38368	32616	36186
Total Consumption	390017	415843	450090	473685	521301	595355	652170
Government Consumption	35785	38586	42652	46397	52453	56822	62793
Private Consumption	348989	371402	400468	419290	459530	527814	576914
Nonprofit Institutions	5243	5855	6970	7998	9319	10719	12463
Gross Domestic Saving	51502	43600	42141	63064	68110	51115	67306
Gross National Saving	118798	111181	116998	146268	167451	182217	205449
Nominal GDP at Producers' Price	441519	459443	492231	536749	589412	646469	719476
Nominal GDP at Basic Price	413429	430397	460325	500699	548485	603671	670588
Agriculture	155625	166090	172803	186125	199368	211010	228677
Agriculture and Forestry	153781	163925	170625	183621	196686	207897	225246
Fishery	1844	2165	2168	2504	2682	3113	3431
Non-agriculture	269830	277962	300743	331868	367211	412073	462882
Industry	73561	77860	83538	89408	97059	104841	112909
Mining and Quarrying	1817	2149	2310	2507	2748	3060	3306
Manufacturing	38409	37736	38826	41673	44885	47840	51887
Electricity Gas & Water	7750	9138	11447	11974	12782	13130	13530
Construction	25585	28838	30955	33254	36644	40811	44186
Service	196269	200101	217205	242460	270152	307232	349973
Wholesale & Retail Trade	69928	64778	68695	79219	79839	90214	96284
Hotels & Restaurant	8459	7143	7540	8942	8895	9257	9802
Transport, Storage &							
Communications	31425	34959	39362	46283	51336	64711	81341
Financial Intermediation	11455	12202	12861	13728	17342	20633	22686
Real Estate, Renting &							
Business	35267	36525	38251	39991	49242	51387	58546
Public Adm. & Defence	5288	7237	8070	8019	9548	10967	12500
Education	17372	20823	24582	26313	31671	34623	39661
Health & Social Work	4178	4626	5408	5825	7017	7925	8890
Other Community, Social & Personal Service	12896	11808	12436	14140	15262	17515	20263
Per Capita GDP (US\$)	259	255	261	293	328	350	383
Per Capita GNI (US\$)	298	292	301	339	383	420	456

P = Preliminary estimate.

R = Revised estimate.

Source: Central Bureau of Statistics.

Table 5
National Urban Consumer Price Index
Base:1995/96=100

	Weight (Percent)	Percentage Changes				
		2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07
Overall Index	100.00	4.8	4.0	4.5	8.0	6.4
Food and Beverages	53.20	4.4	3.3	4.0	7.8	7.2
Grains and Cereals Products	18.00	8.2	1.2	3.8	13.4	6.4
Rice and Rice Products	(14.16)	8.6	1.0	3.2	14.9	2.8
Pulses	2.73	1.1	0.6	4.4	14.3	17.0
Vegetables, Fruits and Nuts	7.89	0.5	3.4	4.7	4.7	11.1
Spices	1.85	-8.8	4.0	-1.0	1.8	22.5
Meat, Fish and Eggs	5.21	3.3	6.8	6.4	3.7	6.6
Milk and Milk Products	4.05	1.0	1.8	0.5	4.6	7.5
Oil and Ghee	3.07	19.6	12.3	-1.9	-2.3	6.7
Sugar and Related Products	1.21	-7.0	-0.4	24.8	5.9	-7.1
Beverages	2.28	6.9	0.3	1.8	9.5	4.1
Restaurant Meals	6.91	3.5	5.2	5.1	5.9	3.3
Non-food & Services	46.80	5.0	4.7	5.1	8.1	5.5
Cloth, Clothing & Sewing Services	8.92	1.4	1.8	2.5	2.8	2.2
Cloths	(2.28)	-0.7	1.4	3.5	2.3	1.4
Clothings	(5.75)	2.3	1.1	1.7	2.9	2.3
Footwear	2.20	1.1	0.5	0.5	2.9	4.1
Housing	14.87	5.9	6.6	9.2	12.8	7.2
Fuel, Light and Water	(5.92)	8.3	10.0	14.7	20.5	8.6
Transport and Communication	4.03	6.0	7.5	7.0	17.5	9.5
Medical and Personal Care	8.03	4.3	3.7	1.7	2.6	2.5
Education, Reading and Recreation	7.09	9.3	4.6	4.4	5.2	5.9
Tobacco and Related Products	1.66	2.9	1.8	2.0	4.4	6.1

Table 6
Monetary Survey

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2006*	2007
Monetary Aggregates	July	July	Jul	Jul	Jul	Jul ^p
Foreign Assets, Net	91407.0	108804.6	107742.1	139439.1	139439.2	131889.1
Foreign Assets	109306.3	131366.0	130916.8	166101.6	166101.7	165693.1
Foreign Currency Deposits	17388.4	21174.6	21557.2	25088.2	25088.1	28247.2
Other Foreign Liabilities	510.9	1386.7	1617.6	1574.4	1574.4	5556.8
Net Domestic Assets	154504.1	168501.2	192697.9	207982.5	207384.8	263431.5
Domestic Credit	224077.3	246171.8	280240.4	302069.9	322683.8	360558.1
<i>Domestic Credit**</i>	<i>224077.3</i>	<i>246171.8</i>	<i>280240.4</i>	<i>313116.5</i>	<i>322683.8</i>	<i>376581.9</i>
Net Claims on Govt.	58458.5	57396.6	63894.5	70568.0	70970.6	78343.6
<i>Claims on Govt.</i>	<i>58920.2</i>	<i>58149.6</i>	<i>63894.5</i>	<i>70568.0</i>	<i>70970.6</i>	<i>81466.2</i>
<i>Govt. Deposits</i>	<i>461.7</i>	<i>753.0</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>0.0</i>	<i>3122.5</i>
Claims on Non-Financial Govt. Ent.	2833.2	2914.9	6566.2	4460.9	4560.9	5114.9
Claims on Financial Institutions	11828.7	13343.9	12762.8	12719.8	3581.9	3622.2
Claims on Private Sector	150956.9	172516.5	197016.9	214321.3	243570.4	273477.4
<i>Claims on Private Sector**</i>	<i>150956.9</i>	<i>172516.5</i>	<i>197016.9</i>	<i>225367.9</i>	<i>243570.4</i>	<i>289501.2</i>
Net Non-monetary Liabilities	69573.2	77670.6	87542.5	94087.3	115298.9	97126.6
<i>Net Non-Monetary Liabilities**</i>	<i>69573.2</i>	<i>77670.6</i>	<i>87542.5</i>	<i>105133.9</i>	<i>115298.9</i>	<i>113150.4</i>
Broad Money (M2)	245911.1	277305.9	300439.9	347421.6	346824.0	395320.5
Money Supply (M1)	83753.9	93969.5	100205.7	114388.6	113060.7	126690.3
<i>Currency</i>	<i>56885.7</i>	<i>63218.9</i>	<i>68784.1</i>	<i>77926.3</i>	<i>77780.4</i>	<i>83515.8</i>
<i>Demand Deposits</i>	<i>26868.2</i>	<i>30750.7</i>	<i>31421.6</i>	<i>36462.3</i>	<i>35280.3</i>	<i>43174.3</i>
Time Deposits	162157.2	183336.4	200234.2	233033.0	233763.3	268630.2
Broad Money Liquidity (M3)	263299.5	298480.527	321997.1	372509.8	371912.2	423567.8

p=Provisional

*Including ADB/N

**Adjusting credit write off of Rs11.05 billion (Rs 3629.2 million in principal and Rs 741.4 in interest) by NBL at mid-July 2006 in the series of July 2006 and Rs 2869.3 million (Rs 821.7 million principal and Rs 2047.6 million interest) by NBL at mid-Oct 2006 and Rs 13154.5 million (Rs 4055.2 million principal and Rs 9099.3 million interest) by RBB at mid-Dec 2006.

Table 7
Condensed Assets and Liabilities of Commercial Banks

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2006	2007
	Jul	Jul	Jul	Jul	Jul (ADB)	Jul ^f
Total Deposits	202,733.8	232576.3	250464.9	290427.6	289975.9	334453.3
Demand Deposits	28,299.4	33038.7	34120.0	36898.2	35716.1	42692.2
Domestic Deposits	23,188.2	28065.2	28673.5	32306.4	31124.4	37575.8
Foreign Deposits	5,111.2	4973.5	5446.5	4591.8	4591.7	5116.4
Saving Deposits	97,236.4	114106.3	130013.6	151573.2	151710.7	174633.9
Domestic Deposits	92,889.4	107497.2	123917.8	145639.2	145776.8	168320.4
Foreign Deposits	4,347.0	6609.1	6095.8	5934.0	5934.0	6313.5
Fixed Deposits	75,348.4	83268.2	84137.4	99475.4	100068.2	114032.5
Domestic Deposits	67,418.2	73676.2	74122.5	84912.9	85505.7	97215.1
Foreign Deposits	7,930.2	9592.1	10014.9	14562.5	14562.5	16817.3
Margin Deposits	1,849.6	2163.1	2194.0	2480.9	2480.9	3094.7
Borrowings from NRB	947.4	477.9	1724.0	329.2	329.2	1870.8
Foreign Liabilities	134.2	521.4	27.6	7.7	7.7	1628.5
Capital & Other Liabilities	88,234.2	75655.4	88416.0	86951.8	105652.3	101782.9
Assets = Liabilities	292,049.6	309230.9	340632.5	377716.3	395965.1	439735.4
Liquid Funds	41,330.0	50385.0	50222.8	61671.4	61817.3	65200.9
Cash in Hand	4,723.3	4283.8	4773.0	5908.6	6054.4	7359.8
Balance with Rastra Bank	15,690.3	24227.0	20234.0	22907.3	22907.3	22868.3
Foreign Currency in Hand	721.6	435.5	374.8	399.2	399.2	454.0
Balance Held Abroad	19,366.1	20798.6	24045.1	31401.9	31401.9	33933.0
Cash in Transit	828.7	640.1	795.9	1054.5	1054.5	585.8
Loans and Advances	201,822.5	228234.9	260867.3	286970.1	307583.9	340354.9
Loans and Advances**	201,822.5	228234.9	260867.3	298016.7	307583.9	356378.7
Claims on Government	39,469.3	43796.3	48550.7	58459.3	58861.9	65850.0
Claims on Non-Financial Govt. Ent.	2,825.7	2907.4	6557.7	4452.4	4552.4	5106.4
Claims on Financial Institutions	10,278.7	11783.3	11436.2	11681.3	2543.5	2925.3
Claims on Private Sector	148,073.2	168692.8	193270.0	211112.7	240361.9	265360.6
<i>Claims on Private Sector**</i>	<i>148,073.2</i>	<i>168692.8</i>	<i>193270.0</i>	<i>222159.3</i>	<i>240361.9</i>	<i>281384.4</i>
Foreign Bills Purchased & Discounted	1,175.6	1055.1	1052.8	1264.3	1264.3	1112.6
Other Assets	48,897.1	30611.0	29542.4	29074.8	26563.8	34179.7

E = Estimated

*Including ADB.

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Table 8
Structure of the Nepalese Financial Sector

(Rs. in million)

	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	
	Total assets/ liabilities	Total assets/ liabilities	Total assets/ liabilities	Total assets/ liabilities	Total assets/ liabilities	Deposits/ Fund
Financial Institutions						
Nepal Rastra Bank	126308	144653	142825	167974	174209	-
Commercial Banks	305526	309729	340633	395965	439735	334453
Development Banks*	47015	47902	57815	14036	22658	15370
Microfinance Development Banks	2205	4964	6300	8197	10281	1103
Finance Companies	22116	27199	30437	38841	53396	34515
Financial Co-operatives	2650	2353	2461	2877	3590	2545
Financial NGOS	137	296	640	894	1842	-
Contractual Saving Institutions						
Employees Provident Fund	35681	39883	45131	51316	57987	54380
Citizen Investment Trust	3026	4813	5832	7248	8425	7710
Insurance Companies	12365	14584	18250	25219	31982	24690
Postal Savings Bank	18	36	190	448	700	700
Total	557048	596409	650513	713016	804807	475466
Market capitalisation	35240	41425	61366	96763	186301	186301
Total (incl. market capitalisation)	592288	637834	711879	809779	991108	661768
Percentage share						
Financial Institutions	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	
Nepal Rastra Bank	22.7	24.3	22.0	23.6	21.6	-
Commercial Banks	54.8	51.9	52.4	55.5	54.6	70.3
Development Banks*	8.4	8.0	8.9	2.0	2.8	3.2
Microfinance Development Banks	0.4	0.8	1.0	1.1	1.3	0.2
Finance Companies	4.0	4.6	4.7	5.4	6.6	7.3
Financial Co-operatives	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5
Financial NGOS	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	
Contractual Saving Institutions	9.2	9.9	10.6	11.8	12.2	18.4
Employees Provident Fund	6.4	6.7	6.9	7.2	7.2	11.4
Citizen Investment Trust	0.5	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.6
Insurance Companies	2.2	2.4	2.8	3.5	4.0	5.2
Postal Savings Bank	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100	100

* Agricultural Development Bank upgraded to Commercial Bank in 2006.

Table 9
Number of Banks and Financial Institutions

	Mid-July					Mid-March
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Commercial Bank Branches	379	375	375	390	552	574
Development Banks	11	14	26	29	38	58
Microfinance Development Banks	11	11	11	11	12	12
Finance Companies	57	58	60	70	74	79
Financial Cooperatives*	20	20	20	19	17	16
Financial NGOs*	39	43	46	47	47	47
Insurance Companies	17	17	19	21	21	22

* NRB Licensed

Table 10
Regional Distribution of Banks and Financial Institutions
(As of Mid-January 2008)

	Eastern	Central	Western	Mid Western	Far Western	Total
Commercial Bank Branches	122	266	117	38	31	574
Development Banks	6	27	19	4	2	58
Microfinance Development Banks	2	6	2	1	1	12
Finance Companies	4	63	10	1	1	79
Financial Cooperatives*	1	9	2	2	2	16
Financial NGOs	10	21	8	7	1	47
Money Changers	31	209	90	12	6	348
Money Transfers	-	38	-	-	-	38

* NRB Licensed

Table 11
Structure of Interest Rates
(Percent per Annum)

Year	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Mid-month	Jul	Jul	Jul	Jul	Jul	Feb
A. Policy Rates						
CRR	6.0	6.0	5.0	5.0	5.0	5
Bank Rate	5.5	5.5	5.5	6.25	6.25	6.25
Refinance Rates Against Loans to:						
Sick Industries	3.0	2.0	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
Rural Development Banks (RDBs)	4.5	4.5	3.0	3.5	3.5	3.5
Export Credit in Domestic Currency	4.5	4.5	3.0	3.5	3.5	2.5
Export Credit in Foreign Currency	2.0	2.0	2.0	3.25	3.25	3.25
Standing Liquidity Facility (SLF) Penal Rate [#]	0.0	0.0	1.5	1.5	1.5	2
B. Government Securities						
T-bills* (28 days)	-	1.82	-	2.40	2.13	6.3
T-bills* (91 days)	2.98	1.47	3.94	3.25	2.77	5.79
T-bills* (182 days)	-	-	4.42	3.86	3.51	-
T-bills* (364 days)	4.93	3.81	4.79	4.04	4.00	6.45
Development Bonds	3.0-8.0	3.0-8.0	3.0-8.0	3.0-6.75	3.0-6.75	5.0-6.75
National/Citizen SCs	7.0-13.0	6.5-13.0	6.5-13.0	6.0-8.5	6.0-8.5	6.0-7.0
C. Interbank Rate						
	4.50	0.71	4.71	2.13	3.03	7.55
D. Commercial Banks						
1. Deposit Rates						
Savings Deposits	2.5-6.0	2.0-5.0	1.75-5.0	2.0-5.0	2.0-5.0	2.0-5.25
Time Deposits						
1 Month	-	2.0-3.5	1.75-3.5	1.5-3.5	1.5-3.5	1.5-6.75
3 Months	2.0-5.0	2.0-4.0	1.5-4.0	1.5-4.0	1.50-4.0	1.6-6.75
6 Months	2.5-6.0	2.0-4.5	2.5-4.5	1.75-4.5	1.75-4.5	1.75-6.75
1 Year	3.0-7.0	2.75-5.75	2.25-5.0	2.25-5.0	2.25-5.0	2.25-6.75
2 Years and Above	3.25-7.5	3.0-6.0	2.5-6.05	2.5-6.4	2.5-5.5	2.75-6.75
2 Lending Rates						
Industry	8.50-14.0	8.5-13.5	8.25-13.5	8.0-13.5	8.0-13.5	7.0-13.5
Agriculture	10.5-14.5	10.5-13	10-13	9.5-13	9.5-13	9.5-13.0
Export Bills	4.0-12.5	4.0-11.5	4.0-12.0	5.0-11.5	5.0-11.5	5.0-11.5
Commercial Loans	7.50-16.0	9-14.5	8.0-14	8.0-14	8.0-14.0	8.0-14.0
Overdrafts	10.0-17.0	10.0-16.0	5-14.5	6.5-14.5	6.0-14.5	6.5-14.5

[#] The SLF rate is determined at the penal rate added to the latest weighted average discount rate of 91-day Treasury Bills.

**Table 12
Stock Market**

Descriptions	Mid July							March*
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Number of Listed Companies	115	96	108	114	125	135	135	146
Paid up value of Listed Shares (Rs. In million)	7939	8680	11898	12016	16776	19958	21746	24589
Paid up value /GDP (%)	1.8	1.9	2.4	2.2	2.8	3.1	3.0	3.1
Market Capitalization (Rs. In million)	46349	34704	35240	41425	61366	96764	186301	230817
Market Capitalization/GDP (%)	10.5	7.6	7.2	7.7	10.4	15.0	25.9	29.1
Annual Turnover (Rs. In million)	2336	1541	576	2144	4508	3451	8360	13823
Annual Turnover/Paid up Value (%)	29.4	17.7	4.8	17.8	26.9	17.3	38.4	56.2
Turnover/Market Capitalization (%)	5.0	4.4	1.6	5.2	7.3	3.6	4.5	6.0
NEPSE Index (Closing)	348.4	227.5	204.9	222	286.7	386.8	683.9	714.8

* Turnover during the first eight months of 2007/08

Source: Nepal Stock Exchange Ltd.

**Table 13
Government Budgetary Operation**

Rs in million

	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07 ^R
Resources	56,229.8	62,331.0	70,122.8	72,279.1	87,712.1
Tax Revenue	42,587.0	48,173.0	54,104.8	57,424.0	71,168.0
Non-Tax Revenue	12,103.1	12,307.5	14,770.3	13,341.5	15,518.5
Principal Refund	1,539.7	1,850.5	1,247.7	1,513.6	1,025.6
Total Expenditure	84,006.1	89,442.6	102,560.4	110,889.2	131,851.0
Recurrent	52,090.5	55,552.1	61,686.4	67,017.8	80,331.1
Capital	22,356.1	23,095.6	27,340.7	29,606.6	36,379.9
Principal Repayment	9,559.5	10,794.9	13,533.3	14,264.8	15,140.0
Surplus (+)/ Deficit (-) Before Grants	-27,776.3	-27,111.6	-32,437.6	-38,610.1	-45,715.5
Foreign Grants	11339.1	11,283.4	14,391.1	13,827.5	15,946.0
Surplus (+)/Deficit (-) After Grants	-16,437.2	-15,828.2	-18,046.5	-24,782.6	-29,769.5
Sources of Deficit Financing					
Foreign Loans	4,546.4	7,629.0	9,266.1	8,214.3	10,331.0
Internal Loans	8,880.0	5,607.8	8,938.1	11,834.2	17,900.0
Cash balances Surplus (+) Deficit (-)	-3,010.8	-2,591.4	157.7	-4,731.1	-1,538.5

R = Revised; Revenue has been updated as per NRB Records, may not tally with

Budget Speech

Source: Budget Speech of GON, MOF

Table 14
Outstanding Debt* of Government of Nepal

(Rs in million)

	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07 ^R
Domestic	80,473.6	81,411.4	82,842.0	89,955.0	99,303.8
Treasury Bills	48,860.7	49,429.6	51,383.1	62,970.3	74,445.3
Development Bonds	16,059.2	17,549.2	19,999.2	17,959.2	19,177.1
National Savings Certificate	9,629.8	9,029.8	6,576.8	3,876.8	1,516.9
Citizen Savings Certificate	931.1	1,178.9	1,428.9	1,678.9	1,391.0
Special Bonds	4,992.8	4,223.9	3,454.0	3,469.8	2,773.5
Foreign	223,433.2	232,779.3	219,641.9	233,968.6	216,628.9
Domestic Debt/GDP (%)	16.3	15.2	14.1	13.9	13.8
Foreign Debt/GDP (%)	45.4	43.4	37.3	36.2	30.1
Total Debt/GDP (%)	61.7	58.5	51.3	50.1	43.9

* Excluding overdraft borrowing of the GON from NRB and IMF promissory notes

Foreign Outstanding Debt for 2006/07 is preliminary estimate

Source: Economic Survey, NRB and FCGO

Table 15
Foreign Trade

(Rs in million)

	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07*
Total Exports	49,930.6	53,910.7	58,705.7	60,234.1	60,795.8
To India	26,430.0	30,777.1	38,916.9	40,714.7	41,874.8
To Other Countries	23,500.6	23,133.6	19,788.8	19,519.4	18,921.0
Total Imports	124,352.1	136,277.1	149,473.6	173,780.3	191,708.8
From India	70,924.2	78,739.5	88,675.5	107,143.1	117,740.4
From Other Countries	53,427.9	57,537.6	60,798.1	66,637.2	73,968.4
Trade Balance	-74,421.5	-82,366.4	-90,767.9	-113,546.2	-130,913.0
India	-44,494.2	-47,962.4	-49,758.6	-66,428.4	-75,865.6
Other Countries	-29,927.3	-34,404.0	-41,009.3	-47,117.8	-55,047.4
Major Exports					
Woolen Carpet	5,320.0	5,677.5	5,868.7	5,838.7	5,600.2
Readymade Garments	12,289.3	10,176.7	6,490.5	7,341.4	5,970.5
Hides and Skin	475.8	641.3	574.4	645.2	638.6
Pulses	1,095.3	859.8	773.6	834.9	795.0
Raw Jute and Jute Goods	1,899.0	1,882.6	2,693.5	2,636.8	2,756.8
Handicrafts	396.9	653.8	748.9	463.8	214.0
Vegetable Ghee	3,812.3	2,959.0	4,635.9	3,861.7	4,136.5
Polyester Yam	656.9	1,114.5	1,896.3	3,476.3	2,240.4
Soap	469.2	539.6	368.0	363.6	502.7
Tooth Paste	1,002.8	1,478.8	1,283.0	730.8	663.4
Major Imports					
Petroleum Products	19,102.0	20,460.6	26,294.5	34,206.0	34,120.9
Transport Equipment & Parts	5,542.3	6,573.8	7,264.6	7,369.4	12,455.2
Chemical Fertilizer	984.1	1,844.9	947.2	1,441.4	1,241.3
Raw Wool	1,604.8	2,017.8	1,841.1	1,511.1	1,184.5
Thread	2,561.9	2,981.4	5,911.3	3,777.7	4,284.4
Textiles	6,218.1	6,027.7	5,165.5	4,906.0	3,816.7
Medicine	3,845.0	3,924.0	4,138.2	5,497.1	5,979.3
Electrical Goods	2,441.3	2,722.6	2,536.8	4,434.0	5,053.8
Cement	2,934.7	2,318.9	2,457.4	1,933.6	2,327.9
Other Machinery and Parts	4,508.1	5,755.4	6,733.1	6,340.1	5,537.9

* = Based on customs data.

P = Provisional.

SN	Country	Export	Import	Trade Balance
66	Georgia	0.2	9.1	-8.9
67	Tokelau	--	6.1	-6.1
68	Baharain	8.0	13.8	-5.8
69	Namibia	--	4.5	-4.5
70	Congo	--	4.2	-4.2
71	Gambia	--	4.1	-4.1
72	Malta	--	4.1	-4.1
73	Slovakia	3.2	7.2	-4.0
74	Moldova	--	3.9	-3.9
75	Truks and Caicos Islands	0.0	3.9	-3.9
76	Andora	1.5	4.9	-3.4
77	Vanuatu	0.5	3.8	-3.3
78	Norway	43.9	46.9	-3.0
79	Afghanistan	12.5	6.2	6.3
80	Costarica	7.5	--	7.5
81	Portugal	18.2	10.7	7.6
82	Slovenia	9.8	0.1	9.7
83	Croatia	12.7	--	12.7
84	Greece	36.2	18.3	18.0
85	Mexico	26.6	8.3	18.3
86	Sweden	63.2	24.3	39.0
87	Germany	2573.7	2432.7	141.0
88	Austria	162.2	12.6	149.6
89	Bhutan	311.0	119.5	191.5
90	Spain	382.6	169.1	213.5
91	Nigeria	228.5	0.2	228.2
92	Bangladesh	521.5	286.5	235.0
93	France	904.0	585.5	318.4
94	USA	5571.3	4260.0	1311.3

Source: Nepal and World, FNCCI, 2007

Table 17
Balance of Payments

(Rs in million)

	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07 ^P	Percentage Change	
						2005/07	2006/07
A. Current Account	11,614.7	14,598.0	11,544.6	14,224.5	3,496.0	23.2	-75.4
Goods: Exports, f.o.b.	50,760.7	55,228.3	59,956.1	61,482.4	62,900.8	2.5	2.3
Goods: Imports, f.o.b.	-121,053.0	-132,909.9	-145,718.2	-171,540.8	-187,451.3	17.7	9.3
Balance on Goods	-70,292.3	-77,681.6	-85,762.1	-110,058.4	-124,550.5	28.3	13.2
Services: Credit	26,518.9	34,315.9	26,001.9	26,469.7	32,078.9	1.8	21.2
Travel	11,747.7	18,147.4	10,463.8	9,555.8	10,125.3	-8.7	6.0
Government, n.i.e.	6,624.0	7,143.9	6,804.9	7,441.5	12,336.4	9.4	65.8
Other	8,147.2	9,024.6	8,733.2	9,472.4	9,617.2	8.5	1.5
Services: Debit	-19,469.2	-25,241.0	-28,036.1	-33,288.0	-40,456.2	18.7	21.5
Transportation	-8,618.4	-9,382.1	-10,602.2	-12,592.3	-14,557.4	18.8	15.6
Travel	-6,171.5	-10,021.5	-9,691.9	-11,960.8	-15,785.0	23.4	32.0
Other	-4,679.3	-5,837.4	-7,742.0	-8,734.9	-10,113.8	12.8	15.8
Balance on Goods and Services	-63,242.6	-68,606.7	-87,796.3	-116,876.7	-132,927.8	33.1	13.7
Income: Credit	4,487.0	3,841.5	7,751.6	11,432.3	14,500.8	47.5	26.8
Income: Debit	-5,162.7	-5,525.4	-6,115.1	-64,476.8	-7,069.0	954.4	-89.0
Balance on Goods, Services and Income	-63,918.3	-70,290.6	-86,159.8	-111,921.2	-125,496.0	29.9	12.1
Current Transfers: Credit	77,765.1	89,161.8	101,310.1	13,861.7	133,196.8	-86.3	860.9
Grants	13,842.2	19,557.8	21,071.9	18,851.1	18,218.2	-10.5	-3.4
Workers' Remittances	54,203.3	58,587.6	65,541.2	97,688.5	100,144.8	49.0	2.5
Pensions	7,327.3	7,906.2	12,502.2	12,007.6	12,937.0	-4.0	7.7
Other	2,392.3	3,110.2	2,194.8	2,314.5	1,896.8	5.5	-18.0
Current Transfer: Debit	-2,232.1	-4,273.2	-3,605.7	-4,716.0	-4,204.8	30.8	-10.8
B. Capital Account	5,393.9	1,452.2	1,573.6	3,107.0	4,449.9	97.4	43.2
(Capital Transfers)							
C. Financial Account							
excluding Group E)	-17,198.9	-21,540.1	-25,536.9	-1,324.5	-2,362.1	-94.8	78.3
Direct Investment in Nepal	961.4	0.0	136.0	-469.7	362.3	-445.4	-177.1
Other Investment: Assets	-34,629.5	-32,591.2	-21,863.2	-14,008.8	-10,890.0	-35.9	-22.3
Other Investment: Liabilities	16,469.2	11,051.1	-3,809.7	13,154.0	7,965.6	-445.3	-39.4
Trade Credits	16,899.3	3,629.8	-4,489.0	9,232.5	1,727.8	-305.7	-81.3
Loans	-52.4	3,325.2	744.4	526.9	1,455.6	-29.2	176.3
General Government	-432.8	3,479.1	1,300.4	703.7	2,150.7	-45.9	205.6
Drawings	5,236.0	9,244.7	7,253.7	7,691.0	9,689.7	6.0	26.0
Repayments	-5,668.8	-5,765.6	-5,953.3	-987.3	-7,539.0	-83.4	663.6
Other Sectors	380.4	-153.9	-556.0	-176.8	-695.1	-68.2	293.2
Currency and Deposits	-377.7	4,096.1	-65.1	3,394.6	4,782.2	-5,314.4	40.9
D. Miscellaneous Items, Net	4,176.1	25,591.2	18,095.7	12,985.4	5,082.3	-28.2	-60.9
<i>Total Group A through D</i>	<i>3,985.8</i>	<i>20,101.3</i>	<i>5,677.0</i>	<i>28,992.4</i>	<i>10,666.1</i>	<i>410.7</i>	<i>-63.2</i>
E. Reserves and Related Items	-3,985.8	-20,101.3	-5,677.0	-28,992.4	-10,666.1	410.7	-63.2
Change in Net Foreign Assets	-4,363.5	-16,005.2	-5,742.1	-25,597.8	-5,883.9	345.8	-77.0
<i>(-Increase)</i>							
Gross Foreign Exchange Reserve	108,229.4	130,205.1	129,896.4	165,033.0	165,105.6		
Months of Import Covered	10.4	11.5	10.4	11.4	10.3		
Official Exchange Rate Per US\$*	77.5	73.5	71.8	72.0	70.2		

^P Provisional.

* Annual Buying Average in Rupees.