The Chairman and Managing Directors /
Chief Executive Officers of
All Scheduled Commercial Banks
(excluding RRBs and LABs)

Dear Sir,

**Introduction of Exchange Traded Currency Options –
Permitting Banks to Participate in Currency Options
on Recognized Stock / New Exchanges**

Please refer to [RBI/2010-11/147 A.P. (DIR Series) Circular No. 05 dated July 30, 2010](#) containing guidelines on Trading of Currency Options on Recognised Stock / New Exchanges issued by Foreign Exchange Department (copy enclosed). In this connection, we advise as under:

I. **AD Category - I** commercial banks which fulfill the minimum prudential requirements under para 6(ii) of the Foreign Exchange Department circular referred to above, are hereby permitted to become trading and clearing members of the exchange traded currency options market of the recognized stock exchanges, on their own account and on behalf of their clients.

II. All other scheduled commercial banks are permitted to participate in the exchange traded currency options market only as clients.

Yours faithfully,

**(B. Mahapatra)**
Chief General Manager-In-Charge