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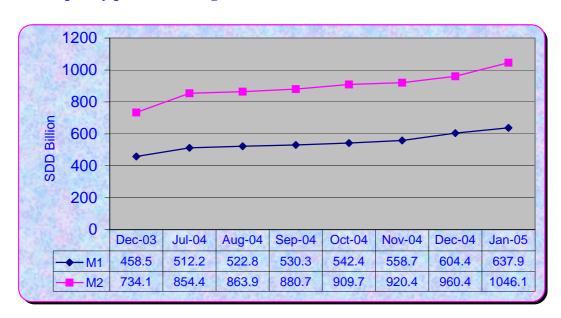
(1) Monetary Indicators*:

(SDD Billion)

The indicator	Dec.03	Sep.04	Oct.04	Nov.04	Dec.04
Broad money	734.1	880.7	909.7	920.4	959.6
Currency with public	240.2	265.1	276.2	280.8	305.0
Demand deposits	218.3	265.2	266.2	277.9	297.5
Quasi money	275.6	350.4	367.3	361.7	357.1
Total assets (liabilities)	789.6	950.4	986.7	1001.9	1040.1
Total banks finance	294.7	369.8	386.5	410.6	436.3
Total banks deposits	472.9	592.3	608.5	616.2	645.7
Demand deposits/ broad money	29.7%	30.1%	29.3%	30.2%	31.0%
Currency with public/ broad money	32.7%	30.1%	30.4%	30.5%	31.0%
Quasi money/ broad money	37.5%	39.8%	40.4%	39.3%	37.2%
Total banking finance / deposits	62.3%	61.8%	63.5%	66.6%	67.6%

^{*}Excluding the Agricultural, Elgadarif, and Financial Investments Banks.

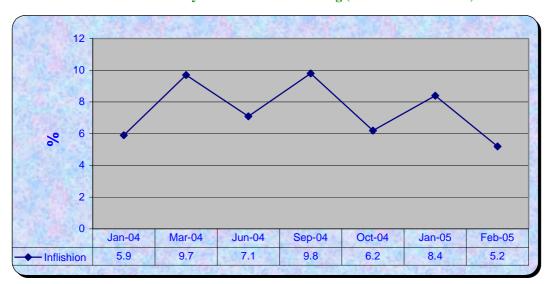
(2) Overall liquidity position during Dec.2003- Jan.2005:



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(3) Inflation rate:

The inflation rate has decreased to 5.2% by the mid of February 2005 compared with 8.4% by the mid of January 2004.



The Inflation rates by the mid of month during (Jan. 2004 - Feb. 2005)

(4)Position of the Commercial Banks Deposits*:

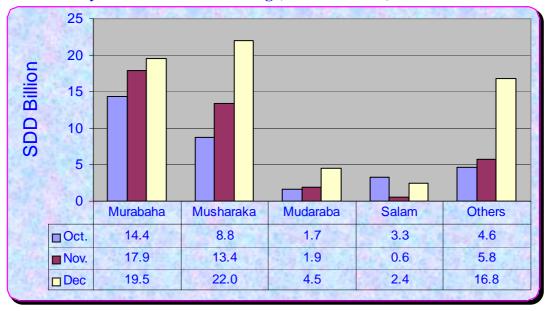
				(SDD Billion)
Particulars	15/0	15/01/2005		02/2005
Deposits	Local	Foreign	Local	Foreign
Current	294.6	89.7	303.5	120.7
Saving	35.2	1.6	37.1	2.0
Investment	69.3	120.0	101.3	130.5
Margin on L/Cs - L/Gs	8.3	46.4	6.9	49.2
Others	2.4	1.1	2.9	0.0
Sub total	409.8	258.8	451.7	302.4
Total	6	668.6		54.1

Including resident and nonresident deposits.

(5) Credit position during the period 1-15/02/2005:-

- (A) Murabaha and Musharaka weighted average rate amounted to 11.3 % and 43.6 % respectively.
- (B) Murabaha profit margins rate ranged between 7.0 % (Saving Bank) to 25.0% (El-Gadaref Bank).
- (C) Musharaka shares ranged between 10.0 % (Export Development Faysal and Sudanese Frensh bank) to 90.0 % (Faysal Islamic Bank).

(D) Flow of Credit by Modes of Finance during (Oct. - Dec.2004) :-



(E) Commercial Bank's Finance by Sectors during Sep. 2004: (Flow and Position)*:

(CDD Dillion)

				(SDD Billion)
Sectors	Flow	Percent %	Position ♦ □	Percent %
Agriculture	6.2	9.3	27.3	9.5
Industry	7.7	11.5	32.8	11.5
Local Trade	20.2	30.1	103.6	36.2
Exports	8.4	12.5	29.3	10.3
Transport and Storage	3.2	4.8	21.0	7.4
Others	21.3	31.8	71.9	25.1
Total	67.0	100.0	285.9	100.0

^{*}Excluding Agricultural Bank.

(6) Exchange Rate:

The exchange rate for US Dollar against the Sudanese Dinar in Bank of Sudan, Commercial Banks and Exchange Bureaus as at 15 February 2005 were as follows:

(A) Bank of Sudan:

(SDD)

Buying Rate	250.7
Selling Rate	251.37

(B) Commercial Banks and Exchange Bureaus:

(CDD)

particular	icular Buying Rate Selling Rate	g Rate	Most P	revalent Rate		
	Higher	Lower	Higher	Lower	Buying	Selling
Commercial BanC.Banks	252.30	250.00	253.00	250.70	251.00	253.70
Exchange BureaBureaus	252.50	251.50	253.30	252.30	252.00	251.70

- * Omdurman, Saudi, Habib Banks registered the highest selling and buying rates, whereas Sudanese Frensh, and National Bank registered the lowest buying and selling rates.
- * Kalsin and Emerates Bureau registered the highest buying and selling rates, whereas **Alarose** Bureau registered the lowest buying and selling rates.

(7) Trade Balance During. 2004:-

(US\$ Million)

Particular	2 nd Qt.2004*	3 rd Qt.2004**
Current account (1+2)	-168.81	-209.84
1. Trade balance	69.26	102.85
2. Service income and transfers account (Net)	-238.07	-312.68
Current account and Capital account	361.61	332.51
Error and Omissions	-17.35	102.89
Overall balance	175.44	225.56

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- ** Initial Numbers.

(8) The Foreign Exchange Dealing Room:

(US\$ Million)

Period	Purchases	Sales
10/01/2004 -14/02/2005	27	42.7

The Foreign Exchange Dealing Room Summary (2004-2005):

(US\$ Million)

Particulars	1/1-14/02/2004	1/1-14/02/2005	Change	Percentage %
Purchases	33.6	138.7	105.1	312.8
Sales	54.5	117.4	62.9	115.4
Net position	-20.9	21.3	42.2	-201.9

^{*}The 1st largest seller Ministry of Finance (US \$ 53.9 million, 38.7% of total purchases).

(9) Sudanese Oil Exports:

NO. Of Shipments	Date	Quantity *	Price (US\$)**	Value (US \$ Million)	Kind	Importing Country
01/2005	08/01/2005	1,000,683	24	24.02	Crude	China
05/2005	22/10/2005	985,588	25	24.64	Crude	China
02/2005	26/01/2005	618,069	29	17.92	Crude	China
062005	27/01/2005	616,649	24	14.80	Crude	China
04/2005	31/01/2005	974,395	29	28.26	Crude	China

^{*}Quantity of crude oil in Barrel and Benzene in Metric Tons.

^{*}The 2nd largest seller was Taxation Dept., (US \$ 20.1 million 14.5% of total purchases).

^{*}The 1st largest buyer during the period was *Omdurman* National Bank (US \$41.2 million, by 35.1% of total dealing room sales).

^{*}The 2nd largest buyer during the period was Omdurman National Bank (US\$ 15.8 million, 13.4% of total dealing room sales).

^{**} Primary prices

(10) Stock Dealing position:

(A) Government Musharaka Certificates (GMCs) as at 15/02/2005

(US\$ Million)

Particulars	No. Of Certificates	Value (SDD million)
Certificates Position at 15/02/2005	2,579,817	128,990,85
Issued certificates	0	0
Liquidated certificates	756,670	378,335
Position as at 15/02/2005	1,823,147	91,157.35

Source: Sudan Financial Services Company

(B) Khartoum Stock Exchange Market During the period (1-15/2/2005):

Transactions took place on shares of 8 companies in the banking, commercial, industrial and other sectors.

Dealing in Shares:

Sector	No. Of Shares	Dealing value (SDD Million)	Percentage %	No. Of contracts
Banking	14,550,649	17.3	0.8	7
Commercial	110,391,834	292.8	14.4	27
Others*	246,526	1,727.2	84.8	36
Total	125,189,009	2037.3	100.00	70

^{*} Including: Islamic Development Co.& Sudan Telecommunication Company (Sudatel)

Dealing in Shares:

