

## News Release 12 April 2013

## **BANK OF JAMAICA OPEN MARKET OPERATIONS**

## **Special Issue of Certificates of Deposit**

To augment its liquidity management operations, the Bank of Jamaica will be offering three variable rate instruments commencing Monday, 15 April 2013 to Friday, 19 April 2013. These are:

- (i) A 180-day Certificate of Deposit, with offer limit of \$3.0 billion. The coupon will re-price quarterly at 0.15 percentage point above the three month GOJ Treasury Bill rate existing at the beginning of the next interest period. The initial coupon for the first three months is 5.97 per cent per annum. This offer is extended to all Primary Dealers and commercial banks, for three days, from 15 April 2013 to 17 April 2013.
- (ii) A 275-day Certificate of Deposit, for an unlimited amount. The instrument re-prices quarterly at 0.20 percentage point above the three month GOJ Treasury Bill rate existing at the start of each re-pricing period. The initial coupon for the first three months is 6.02 per cent per annum. This offer is extended to all Primary Dealers and commercial banks, from 15 April 2013 to 19 April 2013.
- (iii) An 18-month Certificate of Deposit, for an unlimited amount. The instrument re-prices quarterly at 0.25 percentage point above the three month GOJ Treasury Bill rate existing at the start of each re-pricing period. The initial coupon for the first three months is 6.07 per cent per annum. This offer is extended to all Primary Dealers and commercial banks, from 15 April 2013 to 19 April 2013.

The term sheets for these Certificates of Deposit will be circulated via electronic mail to all Primary Dealers and commercial banks.

Please note that the Bank will continue to offer its regular 30-day Certificate of Deposit at the current interest rate of 5.75 per cent per annum.

The Bank of Jamaica will continue to monitor the flow of Jamaica Dollar liquidity in the financial system and adjust its money market operations to ensure continued stability in the financial markets.