

Market Risk

1) Standardized Approach

→ Allowed by RBI

→ Formula based and defined by the regulator

2) Internal Models Approach

→ Generally uses VaR to estimate capital requirements

* What type of market risks?

1) Foreign exchange risk: Investments in non-INR currencies, FX derivatives

2) Interest rate risk: Bonds, debentures, interest rate derivatives

3) Equity risk: Investments in stocks

HFT: Held for trading

AFS: Available for sale

HTM: Held to maturity (Exempt from market risk)

* Interest rate risk

Specific change

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Risks pertaining to the individual security

1) Delta instruments:

Total market risk capital charge (AFS):

Higher of

a) Specific risk charge computed notionally for AFS securities treating them as HFT
+ General Market risk charge

General market change

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Risks to which all securities are exposed

b) Alternate capital charge computed rationally for AFS by treating it as part of banking book

* General Market Risk Charge

- a) Net short/long position $\Leftarrow$ Abs (long-short) across trading book
- b) Charge for options $\Leftarrow$ (Ignore)
- c) Vertical disallowance (a % of the matched positions)
- d) Horizontal disallowance (a % of unmatched positions)

* Disallowances

- 1) Split exposures as per currency
- 2) Compute the long & short position in each currency
- 3) Multiply the yields given by the regulator with the exposure in each instrument
- 4) Slot exposures into the regulatory time bands & zones
- 5) Compute capital charge as prescribed

* Equity Risk

→ Applied on latest value of equity holding

Specific risk charge

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11.25% or as per rating, whichever is higher

General market risk charge

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9% of equity position

* FX Risk charge

- 1) Compute net position in each currency
 - Take net spot position (assets - liabilities)
 - Take net forward position (receivables - payables) [Forward notional, currency swap legs]
 - Add any guarantees
 - Net delta-based equivalent of book of FX options
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9% capital charge

* Internal models approach

- Governance & Policy
 - 1) Who is responsible for model methodology
 - 2) Who will manage the models
 - 3) Segregation of responsibility
 - 4) Standard operating procedure
 - 5) Approval by Board & mgmt
 - 6) Approval by regulator
- Actual development of models
 - 1) Tons of data available
 - 2) Fit probability distributions to investment prices
 - 3) Back-test & validate
 - 4) Decide on metric for measuring market risk
 - 5) Var, ES, Tail Var, etc

- Decide & agree on risk parameters
- Obtain approval from regulator
- Use for market risk capital charge computation