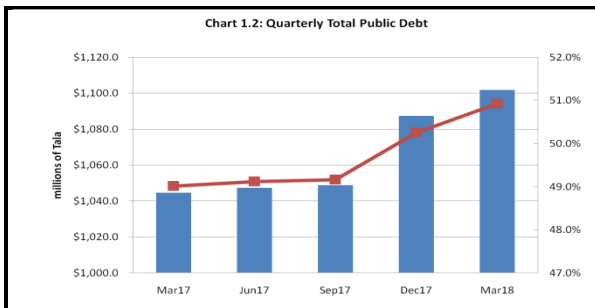
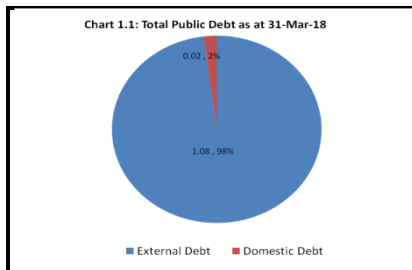


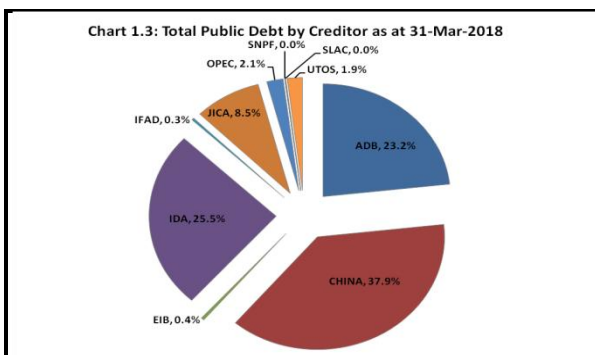


## 1. TOTAL PUBLIC DEBT

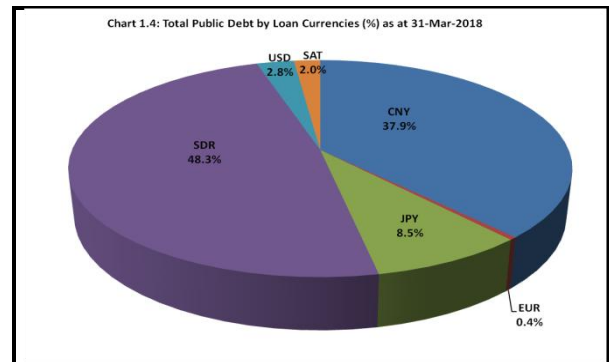
**1.1 Total public debt** as at end of March 2018 was SAT1.10 billion, equivalent to 50.7% of GDP, with public external debt of SAT 1.08 billion and public domestic debt of SAT 0.02 billion. Total public debt increased by 1.3% and by 5.5% compared to December 2017 and March 2017 quarters respectively. Continuous disbursements of external loan funded programs and depreciation of the Tala against all the loan currencies were the main contributors to the increases.



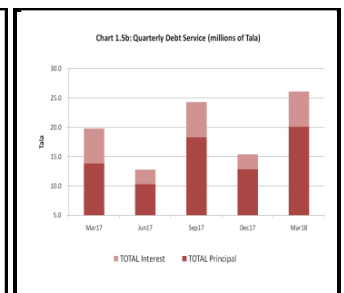
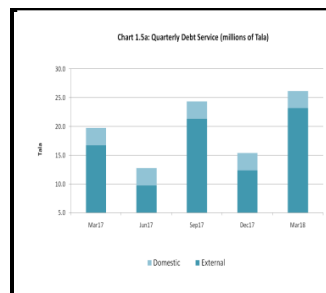
**1.2 Creditors Composition:** Chart 1.3: The three main creditors in the portfolio at the end of the quarter are the EXIM Bank of PRC (37.9%), IDA (25.5%) and ADB (23.2%). The other creditors are JICA (8.5%), OPEC (2.1%), and UTOS (1.9%) with IFAD, EIB, SLAC and SNPF with less than 1%.



**1.3 Loan Currency Composition:** Chart 1.4: The SDR (48.3%) and CNY (37.9%) are the main loan currencies in the portfolio. The total public debt is 98.0% denominated in foreign currency and 2.0% denominated in Tala.



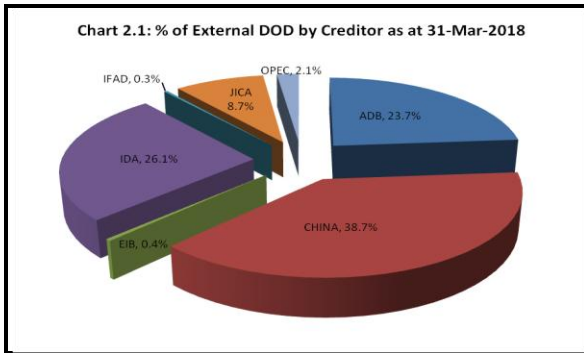
**1.4 Total Debt Service** for March 2018 quarter was SAT 26.1million (external debt service SAT23.2m/domestic debt service SAT3.0m). The amount for the quarter increased by 69.6% and by 32.1% when compared to December 2017 and March 2017 quarters respectively.



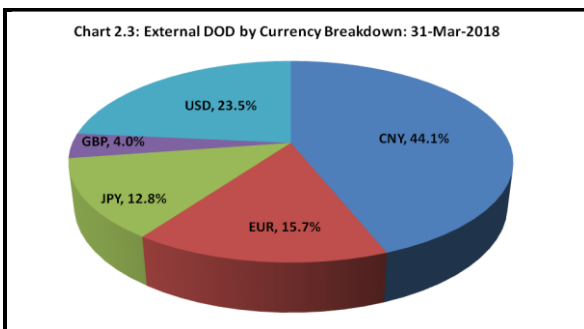
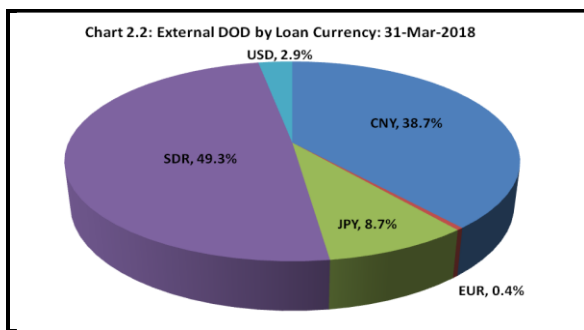
## 2. PUBLIC EXTERNAL DEBT

**2.0 Total public external debt** outstanding at the end of March 2018 was SAT 1.08 billion (53% multilateral creditors and 47% bilateral creditors). The outstanding amount increased by 1.6% and by 6.6% when compared to December 2017 and March 2017 quarters respectively.

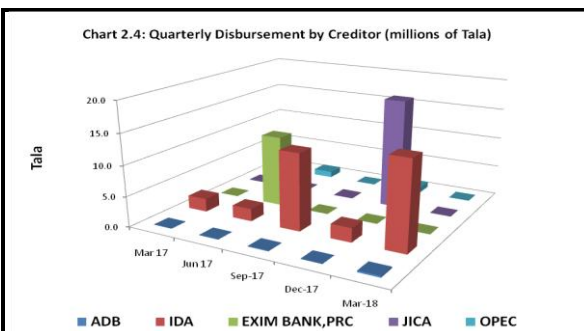
**2.1 Creditors Composition** of the public external debt portfolio (Chart 2.1) shows that the EXIM Bank of PRC (38.7%), IDA (26.1%) and ADB (23.7%) are the main creditors in the external debt portfolio.



**2.2 Currency Composition** of the public external debt at the end of March 2018 shows that SDR<sup>1</sup> (49.3%) was the main loan currency (Chart 2.2). The currency breakdown (Chart 2.3) shows the foreign currency composition in CNY (44.1%), USD (23.5%), EUR (15.7%), JPY (12.8%) and GBP (4.0%).



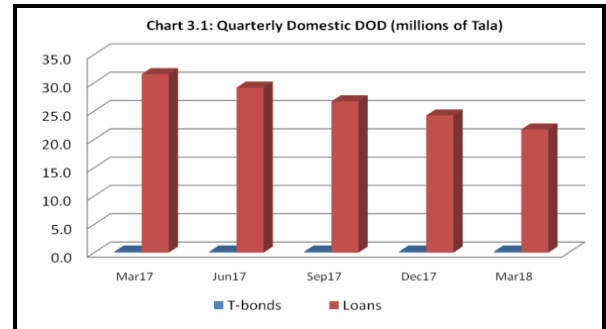
**2.3 Total Disbursements** for external debt during the quarter was SAT14.6 million, of which pertained to IDA SAIP, IDA SACEP, and ADB-EPC PSEP (Chart 2.4).



<sup>1</sup> Special Drawing Rights - USD 41.73%, Euro-30.93%, CNY 10.92%, JPY-8.33% and GBP-8.09%

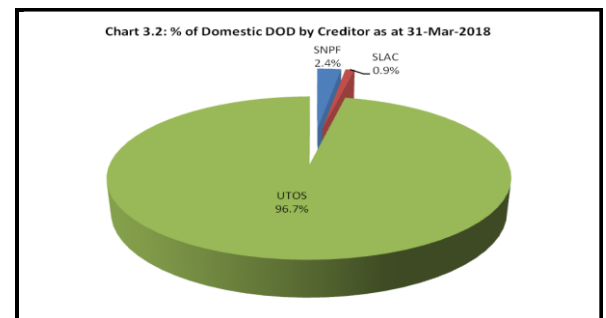
### 3. PUBLIC DOMESTIC DEBT

**3.0 Public domestic debt** outstanding at the end of March 2018 quarter was SAT0.02 billion, decreased by 10.2% and 30.8% when compared to December 2017 and March 2017 quarters respectively. The composition of public domestic debt by instrument was 99.1% (SAT21.7 million) Government loans and 0.9% (SAT0.2 million) Government bonds (Chart 3.1).



**3.1 Creditors Composition** of the public domestic debt portfolio at the end of March 2018 (Chart 3.2) are UTOS (96.7%), SNPF (2.4%), and SLAC (0.9%). SLAC is also the holder of the outstanding Government T-bond.

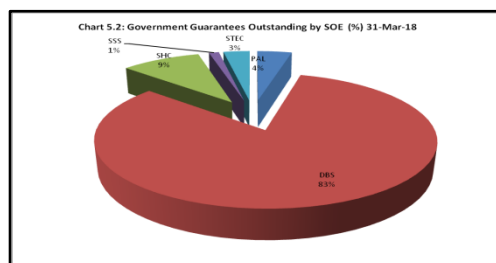
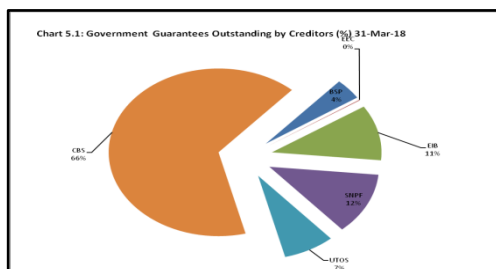
**3.2 Currency composition** of the domestic debt portfolio is 100% denominated in Samoa Tala.



### 5. GOVERNMENT GUARANTEES AND ON-LENDING

The total Government onlending outstanding at the end of March 2018 was SAT192.2 million, decreased by 1.5% when compared to December 2017, but increased by 20.3% when compared to March 2017 quarter. The Government on-lent to DBS (1.5%), UTOS (3.4%) SSCC (23.9%), and EPC (71.2%).

The total Government guarantees outstanding at end of March 2018 was SAT 141.6million, decreased by 1.6% and 14.5% when compared to December 2017 and March 2017 quarters respectively. The composition of outstanding Government guarantees is depicted in Chart 5.1 and Chart 5.2.



## 5. COST AND RISK INDICATORS

Table 1.1: Cost and Risk Indicators for Total Public Debt 31 March 2018

Risk Indicators	External Debt	Domestic Debt	Total Debt
Amount (in millions of SAT)	1,079.7	21.9	1,101.7
Nominal debt as % GDP	49.7%	1.0%	50.7%
<b>Cost of debt</b>			
Av. IR (%)	1.3%	8.5%	1.8%
<b>Refinancing risk</b>			
ATM (years)	11.0	3.0	10.8
Debt maturing in 1yr (% of total)	4.9%	39.7%	5.6%
<b>Interest rate risk</b>			
ATR (years)	11.0	3.0	10.8
Debt refixing in 1yr (% of total)	4.9%	39.7%	5.6%
Fixed rate debt (% of total)	100%	100%	100%
<b>FX risk</b>			
FX debt (% of total debt)	100%	0%	98%
ST FX debt (% of reserves)	17%	0%	17%

Note: Av. IR - Average Interest Rate, ATM - Average Time To Maturity, ATR - Average Time to Refixing, FX - Foreign Currency, ST - Short Term

**Cost** of the existing debt is the average interest rate of 1.8% per annum, mainly driven by highly concessional interest external borrowing from multilateral banks.

**Refinancing risk** is lower in the portfolio, with longer ATM at 10.8 years and 5.6% of the total debt to mature in 1 year.

**Interest rate risk exposure** is minimal as the total debt portfolio is on fixed interest rate. Total debt with interest rate to re-fix in 1 year is about 5.6% and longer ATR of 10.8 years.

**Foreign currency risk** is the main risk in the portfolio, with 98.0% of the total public debt portfolio denominated in foreign currency. Short term foreign currency denominated debt-matured in 1 year is about 17.0% of foreign reserves at the end of the period.

## 6. Debt Statistics

Table 6.1: Summary of Debt Ratio

Particulars	31-Mar-17	31-Dec-17	31-Mar-18	Qtrly change	YTD change
<b>Total Public Debt (SAT)</b>	1.04	1.09	1.10	1.3%	5.5%
External Debt	1.01	1.06	1.08	1.6%	6.6%
Domestic Debt	0.03	0.02	0.02	-10.2%	-30.8%
<b>Total Public Debt to GDP (%)</b>	49.0%	50.3%	50.7%	0.9%	3.5%
External Debt to GDP	47.5%	49.1%	49.7%	1.2%	4.6%
Domestic Debt to GDP	1.5%	1.1%	1.0%	-10.5%	-32.2%
<b>Total Debt Service (SAT)</b>	19.8	15.4	26.1	69.6%	32.1%
External	16.8	12.4	23.2	87.2%	38.3%
Domestic	3.0	3.0	3.0	-2.3%	-2.3%
Principal	13.9	12.8	20.1	56.4%	44.9%
Interest	5.9	2.6	6.0	136.0%	2.2%
<b>External Debt by Creditor(SAT)</b>					
<b>Multilateral</b>	<b>539.7</b>	<b>557.8</b>	<b>567.9</b>	<b>3.9%</b>	<b>6.6%</b>
ADB	261.5	258.4	256.0	-0.9%	-2.1%
EIB	4.4	4.3	4.4	2.8%	0.4%
IDA	246.4	268.8	281.3	4.7%	14.1%
IFAD	3.5	3.5	3.4	-2.5%	-1.4%
OPEC	23.9	22.9	22.8	-0.1%	-4.5%
<b>Bilateral</b>	<b>473.1</b>	<b>505.0</b>	<b>511.8</b>	<b>5.9%</b>	<b>30.4%</b>
EXIM Bank (China)	398.3	416.0	417.9	0.5%	4.9%
JICA	74.8	89.1	93.9	5.4%	25.5%
<b>Domestic Debt by Creditor(SAT)</b>					
SLAC	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.0%	0.0%
SNPF	1.5	0.7	0.5	-29.6%	-66.3%
UTOS	30.0	23.5	21.2	-9.6%	-29.2%
<b>External Debt by Loan Currency (SAT)</b>					
% in CNY	39.3%	39.1%	38.7%	-1.1%	-1.6%
% in SDR	49.6%	49.1%	49.3%	0.4%	-0.6%
% in USD	3.3%	3.0%	2.9%	-3.0%	-11.8%
% EURO	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	1.1%	-5.8%
% JPY	7.4%	8.4%	8.7%	3.7%	17.7%
<b>Government Guarantees (SAT)</b>	<b>165.7*</b>	<b>143.9*</b>	<b>141.6*</b>	<b>-1.6%</b>	<b>-14.5%</b>
<b>Government On-lending (SAT)</b>	<b>159.7*</b>	<b>195.0*</b>	<b>192.2*</b>	<b>-1.4%</b>	<b>20.4%</b>

Table 6.2: Terms of Government Borrowings

Creditor	Interest rate %	Commitment fees (c)/ service fees (s)/	Grace Period (GP)	Maturity (including GP)
ADB	1% during GP & 1.5%	-	8yrs	32yrs
EIB	0.75% average. p.a./fixed	-	10yrs	40yrs
IDA	0.75% p.a./fixed	-	10yrs	40yrs
IFAD	1% p.a./fixed	-	10yrs	50yrs
JICA	0.45% p.a./fixed	0.1% (c) p.a.	10yrs	30yrs
OPEC	3.98% average p.a./fixed	1% (s) p.a.	5yrs	20yrs
PRC EximBank	2% p.a./fixed	0.67% av.(c)/0.67% av. (m)	5yrs	20yrs
SLAC	7% p.a./fixed	-	14yrs	15yrs
SNPF	11% p.a./fixed	-	1yr	20yrs
UTOS	8.17% average p.a./fixed	-	1yr	7.7yrs

Sources: Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Public Enterprises, Samoa Bureau of Statistics, Central Bank of Samoa  
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