Reserve Bank of India
Department of Currency Management

KNOW YOUR BANKNOTE
Banknote of Rs.1000 denomination in Mahatma Gandhi series
with additional / new security features bearing signature of Dr. Y.V. Reddy, Governor

SALIENT FEATURES

Obverse (Front) Side

**See through Register:** The floral design printed both on the front and reverse in the middle of the vertical band next to the watermark window has the denominational numeral “1000”. Half the numeral is printed on the front and half on the reverse. Both the printed portions have an accurate back to back registration so that the numeral appears as one when viewed.

**Optically Variable Ink (OVI):** The colour of the numeral 1000 appears green when the banknote is held flat but would change to blue when the banknote is held at an angle. The font size is reduced.

**Identification Mark:** A diamond with intaglio print, which can be felt by touch, helps the visually impaired to identify the denomination.

**Watermark:** The portrait of Mahatma Gandhi, the multi-directional lines and an electrolyte mark showing the denominational numeral “1000” appear in this section and these can be viewed better when the banknote is held against light.

**Intaglio Printing:** The portrait of Mahatma Gandhi, the Reserve Bank seal, guarantee and promise clause, Ashoka Pillar emblem on the left, RBI Governor's signature on the banknotes and the identification mark for the visually impaired persons are printed in intaglio, which can be felt by touch.

**Latent Image:** The vertical band contains latent image showing the numeral 1000 when the banknote is held horizontally at eye level.

**Microlettering:** The letters, “RBI”, and the numeral, “1000” can be viewed with the help of a magnifying glass in the zone between the Mahatma Gandhi portrait and the vertical band.

**Security Thread:** 3 mm wide security thread with inscriptions “भारत”, “1000” and “RBI” and colour shift from green to blue when viewed from different angles. It will fluoresce in yellow on the reverse and the text will fluoresce on the obverse under ultraviolet light. The thread is visible as a continuous line from behind when held up against light.

Reverse (Back) side

**Year of printing appears on the reverse of the banknote.**

**See through Register**

**Ominous Anti photocopying Feature:** The feature (small circles) appears on the obverse (front) side on either side of the legend Reserve Bank of India and in the right margin on the reverse (back). The highlighted portion as illustrated below in the banknote when photocopied will exhibit a different colour distinct from genuine banknote.

**Other Salient Features:**

**Fluorescence:**

**Paper:** The new series of Rs.1000 banknote has paper with increased grammage and caliper thickness.

**Colour:** The overall colour scheme on the reverse (back) is altered will appear red in overall appearance with the language panel, numeral 1000 and Mahatma Gandhi in brown colour.

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