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**167th Meeting of State Level Bankers’ Committee Punjab**

**The 167th Meeting of State Level Bankers’ Committee, Punjab** to review the performance of Banks for the quarter ended December 2023, will be held on **19.02.2024** from **11.00 A.M** onwards at Hotel Hyatt Centric, Sector 17, Chandigarh.

SLBC Punjab has conducted meetings of five Sub Committees to SLBC Punjab on 08.02.2024 namely (1). Sub Committee for Financial Inclusion, Expansion of Banking Network, Financial Literacy and Annual Action Plan. (2). Sub Committee for Govt. Sponsored Programmers. (3). Sub Committee for MSME Related Issues. (4). Sub Committee for Agriculture Sector, NABARD & State Govt. Related Issues and (5) Sub Committee on Digital Payments. On the basis of deliberations held in those meetings, all the action points emerged have been consolidated and shared with the Steering Sub Committee through mail dated 14.02.2024, who in turn finalized the Agenda for State Level Bankers’ Committee Meeting to be held on 19.02.2024 as per new revamped lead bank scheme.

The Agenda for the SLBC meeting has been prepared as per New Revamped Lead Bank Scheme of Reserve Bank of India and as advised by Department of Institutional Finance & Banking, Government of Punjab.

Agenda Items for 167th SLBC Meeting for Q.E December 2023 are as under: -

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| **Item No. 1** | **Confirmation of Minutes of 166th SLBC Meeting of State Level Bankers’ Committee (Punjab)** |

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| Last Meeting of SLBC | 166th  |
| Held on  | 23.11.2023 |
| Minutes email/ circulated on  | 05.12.2023 |
| Comments Received | NIL |

Minutes of the 166th Meeting of the **State Level Bankers’ Committee, Punjab has been placed as per (Item No. 27 – {Page no. 33-55})**

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| **Item No. 2** | **Annual Credit Plan 2023-24 Achievements up to 31.12.2023** |

The achievement under Annual Credit Plan (2023-24) is given below: -

**(Amt. in crores)**

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| --- | --- | --- |
| **Sector** | **ACP 2022-23 up to****December 2022** | **ACP 2023-24 up to****December 2023** |
| **Targets**  | **Ach.** | **% Ach.** | **Targets**  | **Ach.** | **% Ach.** |
| Agriculture | 104993 | 71153 | 68 | 81901 | 70540 | 86% |
| NFS (MSME) | 39578 | 52507 | 133 | 65256 | 80684 | 124% |
| Other Priority Sector | 30539 | 14415 | 47 | 18631 | 16570 | 89% |
| **Total** | **175110** | **138074** | **79** | **165788** | **167794** | **101%** |

ACP achievement of the Banks during F.Y 2023-24 for the Q.E December 2023 is 101%, Banks have achieved 86% in agriculture, 124% in MSME and 89% in other priority sector.

Banks and LDMs to keep the momentum up and achieve ACP targets in current financial year.

 **(Bank/ District wise detail is at Annexure-1 & 2)**

**Performance wise Top 4 LDMs are as under: -**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Agriculture** | **MSME** | **OPS** | **Total PS** |
| **District** | **Tgt.** | **Ach.** | **%age** | **Tgt.** | **Ach.** | **%age** | **Tgt.** | **Ach.** | **%age** | **Tgt.** | **Ach.** | **%age** |
| **JALANDHAR** | **2855** | **2827** | **99%** | **3969** | **8166** | **206%** | **690** | **561** | **81%** | **7515** | **11554** | **154%** |
| **FATEHGARH SAHIB** | **2139** | **1816** | **85%** | **1654** | **3306** | **200%** | **186** | **193** | **104%** | **3978** | **5314** | **134%** |
| **BATHINDA** | **4440** | **5440** | **123%** | **3467** | **3538** | **102%** | **703** | **1267** | **180%** | **8610** | **10245** | **119%** |
| **LUDHIANA** | **9211** | **6449** | **70%** | **23222** | **32425** | **140%** | **2152** | **1612** | **75%** | **34585** | **40486** | **117%** |

**Performance wise Bottom 4 LDMs are as under: -**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Agriculture** | **MSME** | **OPS** | **Total PS** |
| **District** | **Tgt.** | **Ach.** | **%age** | **Tgt.** | **Ach.** | **%age** | **Tgt.** | **Ach.** | **%age** | **Tgt.** | **Ach.** | **%age** |
|  **HOSHIARPUR** | **7841** | **3410** | **43%** | **1292** | **2731** | **211%** | **911** | **288** | **32%** | **10044** | **6429** | **64%** |
|  **SBS NAGAR** | **1656** | **1050** | **63%** | **536** | **417** | **78%** | **721** | **475** | **66%** | **2914** | **1942** | **67%** |
| **FEROZEPUR** | **4827** | **3535** | **73%** | **884** | **768** | **87%** | **317** | **190** | **60%** | **6028** | **4492** | **75%** |
| **RUPNAGAR** | **1063** | **553** | **52%** | **656** | **837** | **127%** | **131** | **52** | **40%** | **1851** | **1441** | **78%** |
|  **BARNALA** | **3119** | **2360** | **76%** | **453** | **462** | **102%** | **775** | **555** | **72%** | **4346** | **3377** | **78%** |

**Performance wise Top 4 Banks are as under: -**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Agriculture** | **MSME** | **OPS** | **Total PS** |
| **Bank** | **Tgt.** | **Ach.** | **%age** | **Tgt.** | **Ach.** | **%age** | **Tgt.** | **Ach.** | **%age** | **Tgt.** | **Ach.** | **%age** |
| **Axis Bank** | **2473** | **4915** | **199%** | **2029** | **8341** | **411%** | **218** | **340** | **156%** | **4720** | **13596** | **288%** |
| **HDFC Bank** | **16620** | **15220** | **92%** | **26094** | **33658** | **129%** | **1343** | **1042** | **78%** | **44057** | **49920** | **113%** |
|  **Canara Bank** | **2726** | **2563** | **94%** | **1199** | **1418** | **118%** | **337** | **331** | **98%** | **4262** | **4311** | **101%** |
|  **State Bank of India** | **12851** | **9150** | **71%** | **4664** | **7209** | **155%** | **7620** | **8746** | **115%** | **25135** | **25105** | **100%** |

**Performance wise Bottom 4 Banks are as under: -**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Agriculture** | **MSME** | **OPS** | **Total PS** |
| **Bank** | **Tgt.** | **Ach.** | **%age** | **Tgt.** | **Ach.** | **%age** | **Tgt.** | **Ach.** | **%age** | **Tgt.** | **Ach.** | **%age** |
| **Indian Bank** | **893** | **442** | **50%** | **1943** | **594** | **31%** | **251** | **111** | **44%** | **3087** | **1147** | **37%** |
| **Bandhan Bank** | **15** | **6** | **37%** | **80** | **17** | **21%** | **60** | **50** | **83%** | **156** | **73** | **47%** |
| **Indian Overseas Bank** | **191** | **85** | **45%** | **249** | **125** | **50%** | **194** | **103** | **53%** | **635** | **312** | **49%** |
| **Jana Small Finance** | **19** | **17** | **90%** | **102** | **70** | **69%** | **106** | **56** | **53%** | **227** | **143** | **63%** |

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| **Item No. 3** | **Overall CD Ratio** |

While calculating the overall CD ratio, all the member banks are requested to adhere to the instructions of Reserve Bank of India contained in their circular No. RPCDLDS.BC No.47/02.13.03/2005-06 dated 09.11.2005 which inter alia states that the CD ratio to be calculated with credit at the place of utilization.

The comparative position of overall CD Ratio of Commercial Banks is as below: -

**(Amt’ in crore)**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Period** | **Deposit** | **Advance** | **YoY Growth** | **QoQ variation** |
| **CD Ratio %** | **Variation** |
| Dec.2022 | 553292 | 326077 | 58.93 |  |  |
| March 2023 | 560384 | 337146 | 60.16 |  |  |
| June 2023 | 569183 | 335734 | 58.99 |  |  |
| Sept.2023 | 596266 | 364842 | 61.19 |  |  |
| Dec.2023 | 610839 | 384037 | 62.87 | +3.94 | +0.96 |

 **(Bank-wise CD Ratio as per Annexure-3)**

**Observations: -**

During the period under review overall CD Ratio of Commercial Banks in the State of Punjab has been increased from 58.93% as at December 2022to 62.87% as at December 2023thereby showing increase of 3.94 PPs. The same has increased by 0.96 PPs on QoQ basis during the quarter ended December 2023.

The major decline is in the Federal Bank (-20.13%), Jana Small Finance Bank (-9.93%) and Indian Bank (-5.67%).

**Action Points:**

Concerned Banks are requested to submit reason of such decline and steps taken for improvement.

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| **Item No. 3.1** | **CD Ratio - Rural Areas**  |

The comparative position of CD Ratio of rural areas is as follows: -

**(Amount ` in crore)**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Period** | **Deposit** | **Advance** | **YoY Growth** | **QoQ variation** |
| **CD Ratio %** | **Variation** |
| Dec.2022 | 120865 | 66237 | 54.80 |  |  |
| March 2023 | 120329 | 58534 | 48.65 |  |  |
| June 2023 | 123801 | 62087 | 50.15 |  |  |
| Sept.2023 | 132419 | 63124 | 47.67 |  |  |
| Dec.2023 | 133931 | 68111 | 50.86 | -3.94 | +3.20 |

**Observations:**

During the review period, the CD Ratio of Rural areas has been declined by 3.94 PPS from 54.80% as at December 2022 to 50.86% as at December 2023. Further it has increased by 3.20 PPs during the quarter.

 **(Bank-wise CD Ratio as per Annexure-4 &5)**

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| **Item No. 3.2** | **CD Ratio - Semi Urban Areas**  |

The comparative position of CD Ratio of Semi Urban areas is as follows: -

**(Amount `in crore)**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Period** | **Deposit** | **Advance** | **YoY Growth** | **QoQ variation** |
| **CD Ratio %** | **Variation** |
| Dec 2022 | 174471 | 83424 | 47.82 |  |  |
| March 2023 | 174391 | 93195 | 53.44 |  |  |
| June 2023 | 176296 | 89908 | 51.00 |  |  |
| Sept.2023 | 184321 | 102805 | 55.77 |  |  |
| Dec 2023 | 190725 | 104951 | 55.03 | +7.21 | -0.74 |

**Observations:**

During the review period, the CD Ratio of Semi Urban area has increased by 7.21 PPs from 47.82% as at December 2022to 55.03% as at December 2023.

  **(Bank-wise CD Ratio as per Annexure-4 & 5)**

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| **Item No. 3.3** | **CD Ratio - Urban Areas**  |

The comparative position of CD Ratio of urban areas is as follows: -

**(Amount ` in crore)**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Period** | **Deposit** | **Advance** | **YoY Growth** | **QoQ variation** |
| **CD Ratio %** | **Variation** |
| Dec.2022 | 257955 | 176416 | 68.39 |  |  |
| March 2023 | 265664 | 185416 | 69.79 |  |  |
| June 2023 | 269086 | 183739 | 68.28 |  |  |
| Sept.2023 | 279527 | 198912 | 71.16 |  |  |
| Dec.2023 | 286184 | 210974 | 73.72 | +5.33 | +1.02 |

**Observations:**

During the review period, the CD Ratio of Urban area has increased by 5.33 PPs from 68.39% as at December 2022 to 73.72 as at December 2023.

  **(Bank-wise CD Ratio as per Annexure-4 & 5)**

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| **Item No. 4** | **Credit Deposit Ratio – Implementation of the Recommendations of Expert Group on CD Ratio** |   |

As per the recommendations of an Expert Group constituted by GOI under the Chairmanship of Shri Y.S.P. Thorat, a Special Sub-Committee (SSC) of District Level Consultative Committee (DLCC) was to be constituted in districts with CD Ratio of less than 40%, for drawing up “Monitorable Action Plans” (MAPs) to increase the CD Ratio on a self-set graduated basis.

The Composition of the Committee is: -

* LDM of the District Concerned with DCOs
* DDM, NABARD
* LDO, Reserve Bank of India
* District Planning Officer

CD Ratio of districts i.e. Hoshiarpur, Jalandhar, Kapurthala, SBS Nagar and Pathankot was below 40% and Special Sub Committees (SSCs) of District Level Consultative Committee (DLCC) were constituted in these districts. Lead District Managers of these districts have convened the Special Sub-Committee meeting and submitted road map for achieving the level of 60% as under: -

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **District** | **Date of Meeting** | **Monitorable Action Plan** |
| **Jalandhar** | **21.11.2023** | * **35% by 30.09.2021**
* **40% by 31.03.2022**
* **50% by 31.03.2023**
* **60% by 31.03.2024**
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| **Kapurthala** |  **27.12.2023** | * **35% by 31.03.2022**
* **42% by 31.03.2023**
* **50% by 31.03.2024**
* **56% by 31.03.2025**
* **60% by 30.09.2026**
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| **SBS Nagar** | **08.01.2024** | * **35% by 30.09.2021**
* **40% by 31.03.2022**
* **50% by 31.03.2023**
* **55% by 30.09.2023**
* **60% by 31.03.2024**
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| **Hoshiarpur** | **27.12.2023** | * **35% by 31.03.2021**
* **40% by 31.03.2022**
* **45% by 31.03.2023**
* **50% by 31.03.2024**
* **60% by 31.03.2025**
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| **Pathankot** | **02.11.2023** | * **45% by 31.03.2023**
* **50% by 31.03.2024**
* **55% by 31.03.2025**
* **60% by 31.03.2026**
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The comparative position of Monitorable Action Plan and CD Ratio (net of NRI deposits) as at December 2022 and December 2023 of these Five districts is given below:

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **District** | **CD Ratio (%) as per MAP** | **CD Ratio % (including NRI Deposits) as at December 22** | **CD Ratio % (including NRI Deposits) as at December 23** | **Growth****September,23/****December 22 (PPs)** | **CD Ratio %****(Net of NRI Deposits)****as at December 22** | **CD Ratio %****(Net of NRI Deposits)****as at December 23** | **Growth****September,23/****December 22 (PPs)** |
| **Jalandhar** | **60 (Mar.24)** | **31.18** | **33.63** | **7.86** | **35.75** | **36.55** | **2.24** |
| **Kapurthala** |  **60 (Mar.26)** | **27.42** | **27.62** | **0.73** | **34.82** | **33.55** | **-3.65** |
| **SBS Nagar** | **60 (Mar.24)** | **20.83** | **24.49** | **17.57** | **25.92** | **29.72** | **14.66** |
| **Hoshiarpur** | **60 (Mar.25)** | **26.96** | **27.81** | **3.15** | **31.35** | **31.58** | **0.73** |
| **Pathankot** |  **60 (Mar.23)** | **37.01** | **40.51** | **9.46** | **37.68** | **41.20** | **9.34** |

**(Annexure- 6, 6.1 to 6.4)**

**Observations: -**

The CD Ratio of district **Kapurthala** has decreased which is a matter of concern.

**Action Point:-**

The LDMs are requested to improve the CD Ratio of their districts as per the revised roadmap. Also submit the specific proposal after discussion with District Authorities.

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| **Item No. 5** | **Review of National Goals** |

As per RBI guidelines, Banks are required to achieve National Goals on Adjusted Net Bank Credit (ANBC) as at the end of previous year instead of NBC and for calculation of ANBC the outstanding FCNR (B) and NRNR deposit balance will no longer be deducted for computation of ANBC, which now will be Bank Credit plus investments made in non SLR bonds under HTM category. It may be difficult for banks to arrive at such figures at State level and as such the review of National Goal is made on the basis of Net Bank Credit as at the end of previous year, which means gross credit minus inter bank credit.

The comparative position of National Goals in the State is given below: -

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Sr. No.** | **Particulars** | **Goal %** | **%age Position as on** |
| **Dec 2021** | **Dec 2022** | **Dec 2023** |
| **1** | **Priority Sector Adv. to Net Bank Credit** | **40** | **58.78** | **54.34** | **53.87** |
| **2** | **Agriculture Adv. to Net Bank Credit** | **18** | **27.22** | **25.71** | **24.29** |
| **3** | **Small & Marginal Farmers** |  **10** | **9.81** | **10.72** | **10.28** |
| **4** | **Micro Enterprises** | **7.5** | **11.12** | **10.56** | **10.99** |
| **5** | **Export Credit** | **2** | **0.26** | **1.73** | **0.38** |
| **6** | **Weaker Sector Adv. To Net Bank Credit** | **12** | **19.51** | **19.90** | **19.70** |
| **7** | **CD Ratio Overall (State)** | **60** | **60.24** | **59** | **62.87** |
| **8** | **CD Ratio (Rural)** | **60** | **63.89** | **54.80** | **50.86** |
| **9** | **CD Ratio (S-Urban)** | **60** | **46.49** | **47.82** | **55.03** |
| **10** | **Women Beneficiaries Advances to NBC** | **5** | **10.92** | **10.86** | **7.22** |

 **(Bank-wise performance at Annexure-7)**

CD Ratio Overall of the state is 62.87% which is above the benchmark of 60%.

CD ratio of Rural area is 50.86 and Semi Urban area is 55.03% against National Goal of 60%.

**Action Points: -** Banks and LDMs are requested to take concrete steps to achieve the National goals during the current financial year.

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| **Item No. 6** | **Ground level Credit data** |

Ground level credit disbursement by the financial institutions in the State of Punjab. The position of disbursement segment wise as on 31.12.2023 is as under: -

 **(Amount ` in Crore)**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Particular** | **Crop Loans** | **Term Loan Agriculture** | **Total Agriculture** |
| **Targets** | **Achievements** | **%age Ach.** | **Targets** | **Achievements** | **%age Ach.** | **Targets** | **Achievements** | **%age Ach.** |
| Commercial Banks | 46104 | 32105 | 70 | 21132 | 23270 | 110 | 67236 | 55375 | 82 |
| RRBs | 4167 | 5065 | 122 | 1704 | 1027 | 60 | 5871 | 6092 | 104 |
| Coop. Banks | 5739 | 8106 | 141 | 3006 | 933 | 31 | 8745 | 9039 | 103 |
| PADB | 0 |   | 0 | 48 | 34 | 71 | 48 | 34 | 71 |
| **Total** | **56010** | **45276** | **81** | **25890** | **25264** | **97** | **81900** | **70540** | **86** |

 **(The Segment wise position is placed as Annexure-8)**

**Action Point: -**

Banks are requested to take steps to improve progress under Term Loan to Agriculture for Asset/Capital creation in rural area.

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| **Item No. 7** | **Priority Sector Advances** |

**(Amount in Crores)**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Banks** | **No of Branches** | **Priority Advances as at 31.12.2022** | **Priority Advances as at 31.12.2023** | **Variation in amount**  | **%age Variation** |
| **No** | **Amount** | **No** | **Amount** |
| Public Sector Banks | 3936 | 1775026 | 89412 | 1947377 | 94924 | 5512 | 6.16 |
| Private Sector Banks | 2073 | 1507737 | 75731 | 1573965 | 98000 | 22269 | 29.41 |
| Regional Rural Banks | 442 | 373397 | 8346 | 393954 | 9228 | 882 | 10.57 |
| **TOTAL** | **6451** | **3656160** | **173489** | **3915296** | **202152** | **28663** | **16.52** |

 **(Bank wise detail is at Annexure-9)**

**Observation: -**

During the period under review, Priority Sector Advances in Punjab has been increased by Rs.28663 Crores, from Rs.173489 crores as at December 2022 to Rs.202152 crores as at December 2023 thus showing a growth of 16.52%.

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| **Item No. 8** | **Agriculture Advances** |

**(Amt. in Crores)**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Banks** | **No of Branches** | **Agriculture Advances as at 31.12.2022** | **Agriculture Advances as at 31.12.2023** | **Variation in amount**  | **%age Variation** |
| **No** | **Amount** | **No** | **Amount** |
| Public Sector Banks | 3936 | 1280441 | 41289 | 1288654 | 45307 | 4018 | 9.73 |
| Private Sector Banks | 2073 | 1014481 | 30819 | 1026139 | 34559 | 3740 | 12.14 |
| Regional Rural Banks | 442 | 284741 | 7189 | 302807 | 7887 | 698 | 9.71 |
| **TOTAL** | **6451** | **2579663** | **79297** | **2617600** | **87753** | **8456** | **10.66** |

**(Bank wise detail is at Annexure-10)**

**Observations:**

The Agriculture Advances in the State during the period under review witnessed an increase of Rs.8456 crores from Rs.79297 crores as at December 2022 to Rs.87753 crores as at December 2023 thus showing increase of 10.66%.

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| **Item No. 8.1** | **NPA in Agriculture Sector** |

The position of NPAs under Agriculture Loans in the State of Punjab including Coop Banks as on 31.12.2023 is as under: -

 **(Amt`in crores)**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Year** | **Outstanding under Agriculture Loans** | **NPA under Agriculture loans** | **%age of NPA to Agri. advances** | **Total Advances** | **%age of NPA to total advances** |
| **No. of Account** | **Amt.** | **No. of Accounts** | **Amt.** |
| 31.12.21 | 3343350 | 83178 | 221716 | 9993 | 12.01 | 314585 | 3.18 |
| 31.12.22 | 3745111 | 87748 | 216145 | 10733 | 12.23 | 333600 | 3.22 |
| 31.12.23 | 3366228 | 95840 |  257134 | 9963 | 10.40 | 394567 | 2.52 |

 **(Bank-wise progress is as per Annexure-10)**

NPA as on December 2023 under Agriculture are to the tune of Rs.9963 crores which is 10.40% of agriculture advances outstanding and 2.52% of total advances respectively in the State.

**NPA under Agriculture sector have decreased by Rs.770 crores during the last one year.**

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| **Item No. 8.2** | **Agriculture Advances through Term Loan.** |

The Position of Term Loan under Agriculture Sector as on 31.12.2023 is as under:

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Outstanding under Agriculture Advances** | **Outstanding under Term Loan** |
| **No. of Accounts** | **Amount (in Cr)** | **No. of Accounts** | **Amount (in Cr)** |
| 3366228 | 95840 | 1149156 | 28207 |

**(The position is placed as Annexure-11)**

**Observations:**

Out of the total Agriculture advances of Rs.95840 crores, term loan component is Rs.28207 crores which comes to 29.43%. Infrastructure financing or Capital formation is not being done in rural area, which will ultimately hamper agriculture/ rural income of farmers.

**Action Point-**

**The Banks are requested to improve financing under Term Loan Component and also give suggestions how the same can be improved.**

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| **Item No. 9** | **Kisan Credit Card (KCC) Scheme**  |

The progress achieved by banks in implementing Kisan Credit Card scheme up to 31.12.2023 is as under: -

**(Amt. in crores)**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Period** | **Sanctioned During Q.E December (1st Oct to 31st Dec)** | **Sanctioned During Financial Year (1st April to 31st Dec)** | **Outstanding as on 31st December** |
| **No. of****KCCs** | **Amount** | **No. of****KCCs** | **Amount** | **No. of****KCCs** | **Amount** |
| **Commercial Banks** |
| 2021-22 | 78277 | 3235 | 198779 | 8279 | 1325902 | 53752 |
| 2022-23 | 135646 | 4843 | 297073 | 46289 | 1430454 | 54502 |
| 2023-24 | 118301 | 5420 | 282264 |  128706 | 1495792 |  57445 |
| **Co-operative Banks** |
| 2021-22 | 2620 | 41 | 11895 | 127 | 1015583 | 7018 |
| 2022-23 | 140127 | 698 | 310704 | 3016 | 962000 | 6695 |
| 2023-24 | 3331 | 28 | 7490 | 69 |  748628 |  8088 |

 **(Bank-wise progress is as per Annexure-12)**

**Action Point:**

Banks are requested to sanction KCC to all PM-Kisan Beneficiaries of their bank.

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| **Item No. 9.1** | **“Ghar Ghar KCC Abhiyan” KCC Saturation Drive from 01.10.2023 to 31.12.2023** |

Hon'ble Minister of Finance & Corporate Affairs and Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Gol had launched "Ghar Ghar KCC Abhiyan" **to cover all Left-over PM Kisan Beneficiaries with KCC from 1st October 2023 to 31st December 2023.**

The primary objective of the Abhiyan is to ensure that maximum number of eligible farmers have access to credit through the KCC so that they can get loans at a cheaper rate from institutional banking system to meet their short term/long term cultivation requirement, post-harvest expenses, maintenance of farm asset and consumption requirement etc.

The detailed SoP for the campaign, indicating the roles and responsibilities of different stakeholders has already been shared with all Lead District Managers and member Banks.

All the LDMs and Banks were requested to proactively participate and make the campaign a great success.

However, the progress under the drive is not satisfactory with achievement of only 48% saturation.

**(The Bank wise & District wise progress is** **as per Annexure-13 &13.1)**

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| **Item No. 9.2** | **KCC-ATM cum Debit Cards position.** |

The position of KCC outstanding and the number of ATM Debit Card issued to the KCC holders as on 31.12.2023 is as under: -

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| --- | --- | --- |
| **KCC outstanding as on December 2023** | **ATM-cum Debit card issued up to December 2023** | **No. Of KCC holders without ATM cards.** |
| 2244420 | 1835637 | 408783 |

 **(Bank wise position is as per Annexure-14)**

The overall percentage of cards issued as on 31.12.2023 is only 82%. Banks are requested to issue ATM cum Debit card to all KCC account holders.

**Action Point:**

All concerned Banks especially Pvt. Sector banks are requested to issue ATM cum Debit card to all KCC account holders.

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| **Item No. 10** | **Advances to SC Beneficiaries** |

  **(Amount in Crore)**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Year** | **Accounts** | **Balance Outstanding** | **Increase** |
| **Absolute** | **%age** |
| December 2021 | 620660 | 4575 |  |  |
| December 2022 | 617255 | 5455 | 880 | 19.23 |
| December 2023 | 699867 | 6679 | 1224 | 22.43 |

 **(Bank-wise position as per Annexure-15)**

**Observation:**

The **Advances to SC Beneficiaries** in the State during the period under review witnessed an increase of Rs.1224 Crores i.e. 22.43 %.

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| **Item No. 11** | **Pradhan Mantri MUDRA Yojana (PMMY)** |

 **(Amt.in Crores)**

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| **Progress under Pradhan Mantri Mudra Yojana (PMMY)** |
| **Targets for Financial Year** **2023-24 (Amount)** | **Achievement up to quarter ending 31.12.2023** | **%age Achievement Targets** |
| **No. of Accounts** | **Amount**  |
| 3883 | 290300 |  3148 | 81% |

 **(Bank-wise progress is as per Annexure-16)**

DFS has announced Interest Subvention Scheme for Mudra – Shishu Loans where Mudra – Shishu Loans would be given 2% Interest Subvention for a period of 12 Months.

**Action Point: -**

Banks having low performance to provide reasons for the same and are requested to advise their field functionaries to improve their performance & achieve the allocated targets of current financial year.

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| **Item No. 11.1** | **NPA under Pradhan Mantri MUDRA Yojana (PMMY)** |

**(Amt. in crores)**

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| **Banks** | **MUDRA outstanding****31.12.2022** | **NPA under MUDRA as at 31.12.2022** | **%age NPA** | **MUDRA outstanding****31.12.2023** | **NPA under MUDRA as at 31.12.2023** | **%age NPA** |
| **No** | **Amt** | **No** | **Amt** | **No** | **Amt** | **No** | **Amt** |
| **Public Sector Banks** | 354345 | 6040 | 61748 | 771 | 12.77 | 424953 | 6230 | 61249 | 714 | 11.46 |
| **Pvt Sector Banks** | 583133 | 2169 | 217385 | 110 | 5.08 | 651885 | 2406 | 54365 | 118 | 4.90 |
| **Regional Rural Banks** | 75257 | 743 | 11987 | 99 | 13.26 | 84954 | 857 | 11278 | 94 | 11.00 |
| **TOTAL** | **1012735** | **8952** | **291120** | **980** | **10.95** | **1161792** | **9493** | **126892** | **926** | **9.75** |

 **(Bank-wise Y-o-Y comparison is as per Annexure-17)**

**Observation:**

**NPA under MUDRA was 10.95% as on 31.12.2022 and 10.01% as on 31.12.2023.**

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| **Item No. 12** | **Prime Minister Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP)** |

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KVIC has informed the detail of progress under PMEGP for the year 2023-24 as under: -

**PMEGP TARGET 2023-24**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Sr. No.** | **Agency** | **Target 2023-24** | **Achievement 2023-24****(as on 31.12.2023)** |
| **No. of Proj.** | **Margin Money****(Rs.in lakh)** | **Emp.** | **No. of Proj.** | **Margin Money****(Rs.in lakh)** | **Emp.** |
| 1 | KVIC | 551 | 1790.75 | 4408 | 177 | 1410.62 | 1416 |
| 2 | KVIB | 551 | 1790.75 | 4408 | 292 | 2297.90 | 2336 |
| 3 | DIC | 734 | 2384.50 | 5872 | 780 | 4801.40 | 6240 |
|  | **Total** | **1836** | **5966.00** | **14688** | **1249** | **8509.92** | **9992** |

**(Amt. in Lakhs)**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **S.No.** | **NAME OF BANK** | **Targets** | **Achievement** | **(%)****Achievement** | **Pending** |
|  |  | **No. of Project** | **M.M** | **No. of Project** | **M.M** |  | **No. of Project** | **M.M** |
| **1** | **Bank of Baroda** | **64** | **186.15** | **40** | **299.03** | **160.64** | **88** | **325.16** |
| **2** | **Bank of India** | **57** | **164.67** | **56** | **279.48** | **169.72** | **68** | **235.88** |
| **3** | **Bank of Maharashtra** | **11** | **32.55** | **5** | **57.94** | **178.00** | **9** | **67.5** |
| **4** | **Canara Bank** | **97** | **280.68** | **136** | **1062.35** | **378.49** | **45** | **335.11** |
| **5** | **Central Bank of India** | **52** | **150.7** | **54** | **509.15** | **337.86** | **12** | **60** |
| **6** | **Indian Bank** | **77** | **222.67** | **32** | **242.63** | **108.96** | **90** | **311.58** |
| **7** | **Indian Overseas Bank** | **37** | **106.66** | **24** | **183.3** | **171.85** | **20** | **65.87** |
| **8** | **Punjab & Sind Bank** | **234** | **679.19** | **116** | **727.24** | **107.07** | **220** | **732.41** |
| **9** | **Punjab National Bank** | **342** | **992.27** | **192** | **1050.68** | **105.89** | **457** | **1447.17** |
| **10** | **State Bank of India** | **319** | **926.25** | **146** | **1078.06** | **116.39** | **421** | **1575.21** |
| **11** | **UCO Bank** | **62** | **180.78** | **44** | **244.31** | **135.14** | **14** | **56.29** |
| **12** | **Union Bank of India** | **90** | **260.27** | **88** | **705.74** | **271.16** | **89** | **531.94** |
| **13** | **IDBI Bank** | **29** | **83.03** | **3** | **19.25** | **23.18** | **15** | **62.18** |
| **14** | **Punjab Gramin Bank** | **158** | **457.91** | **236** | **897.1** | **195.91** | **67** | **210.1** |
| **15** | **J & K Bank** | **6** | **16.43** | **5** | **46.38** | **282.29** | **2** | **15** |
| **16** | **Axis Bank** | **132** | **383.8** | **1** | **11.88** | **3.10** | **17** | **76.43** |
| **17** | **Federal Bank** | **10** | **28.25** | **1** | **12** | **42.48** | **3** | **10.93** |
| **18** | **HDFC**  | **185** | **536.33** | **69** | **1070.9** | **199.67** | **120** | **1066.49** |
| **19** | **ICICI** | **103** | **300.01** | **1** | **12.5** | **4.17** | **7** | **39.15** |
| **20** | **Kotak Mahindra Bank** | **33** | **95.92** | **0** | **0** | **0.00** | **5** | **3.24** |
| **21** | **Indusind Bank** | **53** | **153.93** | **0** | **0** | **0.00** | **2** | **1.6** |
| **22** | **Capital Small Finance** | **53** | **153.93** | **0** | **0** | **0.00** | **0** | **0** |
| **23** | **Yes Bank** | **35** | **101.29** | **0** | **0** | **0.00** | **4** | **38.75** |
| **24** | **Bandhan Bank** | **5** | **13.21** | **0** | **0** | **0.00** | **3** | **47.5** |
| **25** | **Ujjivan Small Finance** | **5** | **14.29** | **0** | **0** | **0.00** | **0** | **0.00** |
| **26** | **Jana Small Finance** | **5** | **13.21** | **0** | **0** | **0.00** | **0** | **0.00** |
| **27** | **AU Small Finance** | **18** | **51.88** | **0** | **0** | **0.00** | **0** | **0.00** |
| **28** | **RBL Bank** | **4** | **11.06** | **0** | **0** | **0.00** | **0** | **0.00** |
| **29** | **Punjab State Coop. Bank** | **296** | **859.65** | **0** | **0** | **0.00** | **0** | **0.00** |
|  | **Total** | **2572** | **7457** | **1249** | **8509.92** | **114.12** | **1778** | **7315.49** |

**Action Point: -**

Banks having pendency in disbursements and sanctions are requested to advise their field functionaries to clear the pendency immediately & achieve the allocated targets of current financial year.

Further, the Pvt. Sector banks with zero performance to submit reasons and formulate strategies for financing under the scheme.

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| **Item No. 13** | **Stand-up India Programme of Ministry of Finance** |

On implementation of Budget announcement FY 2020-21 on amendment of Stand-up India scheme, DFS, MOF, GOI has announced changes in the Stand-up India Scheme with immediate effect as under: -

(i) The extent of margin money to be brought by the borrower may be reduced from “up to 25%” to “up to 15%” of the project cost. However, the borrower will continue to contribute at least 10% of the project cost as own contribution.

(ii) Loans for enterprises in “Activities allied to agriculture” e.g., pisciculture, beekeeping, poultry, livestock, rearing, grading, sorting, aggregation agro industries, dairy, fishery, Agri clinic and agribusiness centres, food & agro-processing, etc. (excluding crop loans, land improvement such as canals, irrigation, wells) and services supporting these, shall be eligible for coverage under the Scheme.

The progress under the scheme during the quarter ending 31.12.2023: -

(Amt. in lakhs)

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Period** | **Total No. of Bank Branches of Scheduled commercial Banks** | **Participating Branches** | **Loan sanctioned under the scheme during Q.E December 2023** | **Cumulative Sanction since Inception of scheme** | **Outstanding as on 31.12.2023** |
| **SC/ST** | **WOMEN** | **Total** |
| **A/cs** | **Amt.** | **A/cs** | **Amt.** | **A/cs** | **Amt.** | **A/cs** | **Amt.** | **A/cs** | **Amt.** |
| **Q.E Dec 2023** | **6451** | **124** | **22** | **311** | **91** | **14821** | **113** | **15132** | **2642** | **67516** | **3529** | **82124** |

 **(Bank wise targets and position is as per Annexure-18)**

**Top 3 Banks as per %age of participation in the scheme-**

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| --- |
| * Union Bank of India
* SBI
* Punjab National Bank
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**Action Point-**

Controlling heads of Banks are requested to ensure that all branches of their bank participate in the scheme financing at least one case of woman and one SC/ST entrepreneur under the scheme.

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| **Item No. 14** | **Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY) and Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY).** |

Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY) and Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY) are the flagship programme of the Government for creating a universal social security system for all Indians especially the poor and the under-privileged.

**The Cumulative achievement under the schemes since inception is as under: -**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Name of the Scheme** | **Cumulative Achievement up to 30.09.2023** | **Progress made during the Q.E December 2023** | **Cumulative Achievement up to 31.12.2023** |
| PMSBY | 8171475 | 459171 | 8528592 |
| PMJJBY | 3970964 | 204517 | 4152018 |

 **(Bank-wise Scheme wise progress is as per Annexure-19)**

**Action Point**-All the LDMs and Banks are requested to strive hard and make concerted efforts to cover each and every eligible beneficiary in the state.

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| **Item No. 15** | **Atal Pension Yojana (APY)** |

The achievement under APY as received from PFRDA as on 31.12.2023 in the state is as under: -

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Particulars** | **Annual Targets for 2023-24** | **Achievement as on 31.12.2023****(01.04.23 to 31.12.23)** | **%age achievement** |
| Public Sector Bks | 396600 | 206043 | 52% |
| Pvt. Sector Bks. | 93950 | 6003 | 6% |
| RRB | 43100 | 39093 | 91% |
| **Grand Total** | **533650** | **251139** | **47%** |

 **(Bank-wise targets/achievement is as per Annexure-20)**

**Observation:**

The performance of Pvt. Banks is not found satisfactory.

**Action Point:**

All the Banks especially the Pvt. Sector are requested to aware the customers about the benefits of the scheme and enroll the maximum applicants to improve their performance in ongoing quarter.

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| **Item No. 16** | **Review of Progress of Implementation of various packages announced by RBI/Govt. of India for different sectors of economy in view of COVID pandemic**  |

Following packages were announced by RBI/Govt. for different sectors of economy in view of COVID pandemic, which are being implemented through banks: -

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| **Item No. 16.1** | **PM Street Vendors Atma Nirbhar Nidhi (PM- SVANidhi) a special Micro Credit Facility Scheme** |

As per announcement made by Hon'ble Finance Minister, during her address on May 14,2020, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs has launched PM Street Vendors Atma Nirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi), a Special Micro-Credit Facility Scheme for providing affordable loan to street vendors to resume their livelihoods that have been adversely affected due to Covid-19 lockdown.

PM SVANidhi targets to benefit over 50 lakh Street Vendors, who had been vending on or before 24 March, 2020, in urban areas. The eligible vendors will be identified as per following criteria:

1. Street vendors in possession of Certificate of Vending/ Identity Card issued by Urban Local Bodies.
2. The vendors who have been identified in the survey but have not been issued Certificate of Vending/Identity Cards.

This Scheme include extension of collateral free working capital loan of up to Rs. 10,000, interest subsidy @7% per annum, eligibility of higher loan on timely repayment of first loan, and monthly cash back on digital transactions.

The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs chaired by the worthy Prime Minister, approved the continuation of lending under the Prime Minister Street Vendor’s Atma Nirbhar Nidhi (PM SVANidhi) beyond March 2022 till December 2024, with focus on enhanced collateral free affordable loan corpus, increased adoption of digital transactions and holistic socio-economic development of the Street Vendors and their families.

The Scheme had envisaged to facilitate loans for an amount of Rs. 5,000 crores and the approval has increased the loan amount to Rs. 8,100 crores, thereby providing the Street vendors working capital to further expand their business and making them AtmaNirbhar.

**Bank/ Branch wise Progress under the Scheme as on 07.02.2024 is given below-**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Total Application received** | **Sanctioned** | **Disbursed** | **Pending for Disbursement** | **Percentage of Disbursement against Total sanctioned applications** | **Percentage of Disbursement against Total applications** |
| **1st Tranche loan** | 202427 | 158314 | 145612 | 12702 | 91% | 72% |
| **2nd Tranche loan** | 34768 | 27543 | 25335 | 2208 | 91% | 73% |
| **3rd Tranche loan** | 4012 | 2417 | 2215 | 202 | 92% | 55% |

**(Bank-wise progress is per Annexure-21, 21.1 & 21.2)**

**Observation:**

* Despite regular follow-up from SLBC, State Govt. and DFS, the percentage of disbursement against total applications is not satisfactory.

**Action Points:**

-Banks are requested to dispose of the pending applications immediately.

 -All the Bank heads to ensure that rejection is done only on the reasons as specified in format and no rejection be done on flimsy grounds.

 -All returned applications be checked and ensure that if any applicant is still available/interested, be re-entered in the system otherwise they be removed from accepted applications.

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| **Item No. 16.2** | **Nationwide AHDF KCC Campaign for providing Kisan Credit Card facility to all eligible Animal Husbandry and Fishery Farmers announced by Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying** |

As part of the Atmanirbhar Bharat Package for farmers, Hon'ble Finance Minister had announced Rs. 2 lakh crore concessional credit boost to 2.5 crore farmers through Kisan Credit Cards (KCC). Accordingly, a special drive was launched w.e.f 1st June 2020 to provide KCC to farmers, with special focus on PM-Kisan beneficiaries, Animal Husbandry farmers and fishermen.

In order to ensure maximum coverage of farmers engaged in Animal Husbandry and Fisheries activities under KCC, a special saturation drive was launched in the form of weekly "District-level Camp" for a period of 3 months w.e.f. 8th November 2021.

Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying in association with Department of Financial Services, GoI launched a “Nationwide AHDF KCC Campaign for providing Kisan Credit Card facility to all eligible Animal Husbandry and Fishery Farmers. The campaign was resumed from 15th September, 2022 to 15th March, 2023 and has now again been resumed from 1st May,2023 to 31st March,2024.

**Observation:**

Under the campaign, a total of 65555 applications have been received so far for KCC to Animal Husbandry & Dairy out of which 50544 have been sanctioned, 13740 applications have been rejected and 995 applications are pending with banks.

**Out of total pending applications, 905 applications are pending for more than 15 days.**

Further, for KCC to Fisheries, out of total 561 applications received, only 91 applications have been sanctioned and 363 applications have been rejected. 107 applications are still pending with the banks and out of them, 96 are pending for more than 15 days.

**Action Point:**

All the Banks are requested to dispose of the pending applications immediately and ensure that the rejection is done only on valid grounds. The Fisheries dept. to arrange for more trainings of candidates. Also the Lead District Managers are requested to upload the progress on portal on regular basis and report compliance to SLBC.

 **(Bank wise detail is annexed as per Annexure 22 & 23)**

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| **Item No. 16.3** | **CENTRAL SECTOR SCHEME FOR “FINANCING FACILITY UNDER AGRICULTURE INFRASTRUCTURE FUND”** |

The Hon’ble Finance Minister announced on **15.05.2020** Rs.1 lakh crore Agri Infrastructure Fund for farm-gate infrastructure for farmers out of which Rs.4713 crores has been allocated for Punjab State.

The role of infrastructure is crucial for agriculture development and for taking the product dynamics to the next level. It is only through the development of infrastructure, especially at the post- harvest stage that the produce can be optimally utilized with opportunities for value- addition and fair deal for the farmers.

Agriculture and allied activities are the primary source of income for approx. 58% of total population of the country. The country has limited infrastructure connecting farmers to markets and hence, 15-20% of the yield is wasted. Investment in agriculture in India has been stagnant with less than 2% CAGR (Compound annual growth rate) over last five years.

In view of the same, the Central Sector Scheme is formulated to mobilize medium- long term debt financing facility for investment in viable projects relating to post- harvest management infrastructure and community farming assets through incentives and financial support. The financing facility will be provided for funding Agriculture Infrastructure Projects at farm- gate & aggregation points (Primary Agricultural Credit Society, Farmers Producer Organizations, Agriculture entrepreneurs, Start- Ups etc.) Impetus for development of farm- gate and aggregation point, affordable and financially viable Post Harvest Management Infrastructure.

 **(Bank wise detail is annexed as per Annexure- 24**)

**Observations: -**

As on 31.12.2023, Banks received 13592 applications under the scheme. 8415 applications have been sanctioned, 7783 applications disbursed and 632 are still under process. Out of pending applications, as many as 537 applications are pending for more than 15 days. The concerned banks are requested to dispose of the pending applications at the earliest.

**Action Point:**

Department of Horticulture, Govt. of Punjab is requested to source maximum proposal under the scheme and the concerned banks are requested to dispose of the pending applications at the earliest.

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| **Item No. 16.4** | **PM Formalisation of Micro Food Processing Enterprises Scheme (PM FME Scheme)** |

The scheme envisages an outlay of Rs.10,000 crore over a period of five years from 2020-21 to 2024-25. Scheme adopts One District One Product (ODOP) approach to reap the benefit of scale in terms of procurement of inputs, availing common services and marketing of products.

Under the scheme, 2,00,000 micro food processing units will be directly assisted with credit linked subsidy. Adequate supportive common infrastructure and institutional architecture will be supported to accelerate growth of the sector. As the scheme focuses on micro enterprises in unorganized segment of food processing industry and promote formalization of the sector, modalities for implementation of the scheme will be depending upon the activity.

The above mentioned scheme is launched for group beneficiaries (SHGs, FPOs, Cooperatives, and Common infrastructure). After the scrutiny of loan proposal by the competent authority in the respective states i.e. Punjab Agro Industries Corporation Limited in the state of Punjab, the same will be forwarded to the lending institutions.

**Observation: -**

Banks have received 3064 applications under the scheme. 1895 applications have been sanctioned as on 31.12.2023 and 246 applications are still pending with banks which is a matter of concern. It has been requested time and again to clear the pendency at the earliest.

**Action Point :-**

Concerned Banks are requested to not keep the applications on hold & dispose of the pending applications on priority basis.

 **(Bank wise detail is annexed as per** **Annexure- 25**)

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| **Item No. 17** | **EXPANDING AND DEEPENING THE DIGITAL PAYMENT ECO-SYSTEM IN ALL DISTRICTS OF PUNJAB** |

The Digital India is a flagship programme of the Government of India with a vision to transform India into a digitally empowered society and knowledge economy.

On the basis of Reserve Bank of India Bi-monthly Policy dated 04.10.2019, SLBC Punjab was asked to identify one district in the State on Pilot Basis for expanding and deepening the digital payment eco-system. In this regard, Kapurthala District was identified to make it 100% Digitally enabled within one year. Time line fixed for 100% digitalisation of the district was 31.12.2023.

As per Reserve Bank of India letter FIDD.CO.LBS.No 71339/02.01.001/2021-22 dated July 14, 2021, SLBC Punjab was asked to identify one more district in the State after considering factors like digital infrastructure /internet connectivity, literacy level among the population to extend the program. Accordingly, SAS Nagar (Mohali) was identified and Time line fixed for 100% digitalisation of the district was 31.12.2023.

Further, during the deliberations held in the 157th SLBC meeting, the Chief Guest Sh. K.A.P Sinha, Principal Secretory Finance, GoP suggested to include newly formed district Malerkotla as well for 100% digitalization with Time line fixed as 31.03.2024.

As per Reserve Bank of India letter FIDD.CO.LBS.No. S1416/02.01.014/2022-23 dated January 3, 2023, SLBC was advised to identify more districts to scale up the digitalization programme in the State. Accordingly two more districts i.e. Fazilka & Faridkot were identified.

As per RBI letter No. FIDD.CO.LBS.No.S704 /02.01.014/2023-24 dated August 09, 2023, Para 2, SLBC/UTLBC Convenor Banks were advised to leverage the experience gained in the implementation of the programme and to prepare a schedule to cover all the districts in respective states/UT, to make them 100% digitally enabled.

**The summarized position of all districts as on 31.12.2023 is given below-**

|  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **NAME OF DISTRICT** | **COMPLETION TIMELINE** | **Savings Accounts Coverage(%)** | **Current Accounts Coverage(%)** | **% Achievement as per no of merchants/ traders/ businesses/ utility service providers identified in the district for coverage** |
| **AMRITSAR** | **31.08.2024** | **86%** | **86%** | **85.78%** |
| **BARNALA** | **31.08.2024** | **76%** | **84%** | **76.61%** |
| **BATHINDA** | **30.09.2024** | **94%** | **98%** | **96.26%** |
| **FARIDKOT** | **31.08.2024** | **68%** | **73%** | **40.84%** |
| **FATEHGARH SAHIB** | **30.09.2024** | **84%** | **85%** | **81.33%** |
| **FAZILKA** | **31.08.2024** | **83%** | **78%** | **69.27%** |
| **FEROZEPUR** | **31.08.2024** | **75%** | **59%** | **74.93%** |
| **GURDASPUR** | **30.09.2024** | **84%** | **66%** | **65.67%** |
| **HOSHIARPUR** | **30.09.2024** | **68%** | **79%** | **79.45%** |
| **JALANDHAR** | **31.08.2024** | **80%** | **77%** | **89.44%** |
| **KAPURTHALA** | **31.12.2023** | **100%** | **100%** | **100.00%** |
| **LUDHIANA** | **30.09.2024** | **86%** | **90%** | **91.22%** |
| **MANSA** | **30.09.2024** | **91%** | **90%** | **89.80%** |
| **MOGA** | **30.09.2024** | **88%** | **84%** | **82.26%** |
| **SRI MUKTSAR SAHIB** | **31.08.2024** | **63%** | **68%** | **85.09%** |
| **PATHANKOT** | **31.08.2024** | **93%** | **76%** | **84.08%** |
| **PATIALA** | **31.08.2024** | **91%** | **83%** | **82.89%** |
| **RUPNAGAR** | **31.08.2024** | **83%** | **87%** | **90.79%** |
| **SANGRUR** | **30.09.2024** | **87%** | **82%** | **75.97%** |
| **SAS NAGAR** | **31.12.2023** | **98%** | **96%** | **98.89%** |
| **SBS NAGAR** | **30.09.2024** | **99%** | **82%** | **93.41%** |
| **TARN TARAN** | **30.09.2024** | **63%** | **56%** | **79.29%** |
| **MALERKOTLA** | **31.03.2024** | **62%** | **98%** | **72.43%** |

Detailed progress report as on 31.12.2023 as per the prescribed format is annexed as **Annexure-26 & 27.**

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| **Item No. 17.1** | **Expanding and Deepening of Digital Payments Ecosystem (EDDPE) - Change in Reporting Framework** |

As per Reserve Bank of India’s Circular No. FIDD.CO.LBS.No.S1684/02.01.014/2023-24 dated January 25, 2024 regarding consolidated quarterly progress reports of all districts on the prescribed formats under Expanding and Deepening of Digital Payments Ecosystem (EDDPE) programme.

As per the extant instructions, nodal banks submit quarterly progress reports in respect of identified districts to FIDD, Central Office, RBI. Considering the expansion of the programme to all districts across the country, it is felt necessary to introduce the following modifications in the existing system of collation of progress reports and monitoring the implementation:

i) The responsibility of collation and consolidation of progress reports under EDDPE programme for all districts stands assigned to SLBC/UTLBC Convener banks.

ii) Banks shall furnish progress reports for all districts (which are not 100% digitally enabled) to the SLBC/UTLBC Convener banks within 30 days from the end of the quarter, through their Controlling Offices.

iii) SLBC/ UTLBC Convener banks shall submit the consolidated progress reports for all districts in their jurisdiction to respective Regional /Sub Offices of RBI within 40 days after resolving discrepancies in reporting, if any.

The revised framework shall be effective immediately and reporting as per the same may commence with data for the quarter ended December 2023. Accordingly, Controlling Offices/Head Offices of nodal banks need not furnish progress reports to FIDD, CO, RBI, henceforth.

**Action Point**-All the LDMs and Banks are requested to strive hard and make concerted efforts to complete the 100% digitalization of respective districts as per the Timelines given.

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| **Item No.18** | **Scale of Finance in Agriculture Advances** |

During the deliberations in the SLBC Meeting held on 14.02.2019, it was observed that few of the banks are sanctioning Agriculture Advances more than the scale of finance prescribed by NABARD/State Govt. due to which farmers are over financed as against the land they are cultivating. Large numbers of farmers are getting Multiple Financing from different banks after obtaining part Jamabandi instead of total Jamabandi of farmer’s landholding. Due to over financing, farmers are not able to service their advances and are under distress. State Govt. may pass instructions to revenue Deptt. that whenever Fard Jamabandi is asked it should be issued for total land owned by the farmer.

**Observation: -**

Financing over and above the scale of finance increases farmer’s distress.

**Action Points: -**

During the 154th SLBC meeting, Shri KAP Sinha, Principal Secretary Finance, GoP advised that banks should be extra cautious to identify the area under lease and asked SLBC to conduct survey in 3-4 villages in different areas of Punjab to identify the land holding and area of lease submitted by the farmers to avail facility of KCC from the banks.

For this purpose, we have identified villages i. Doda in Muktsar, ii. Golewala in Faridkot, iii. Lambra in Jalandhar, iv. Chuni Kalan in Fatehgrh Sahib, v. Chagran in Hoshiapur, vi. HarshaChhina in Amritsar, vii. Kalanaur in Gurdaspur and LDM has been asked to form survey team consisting of Senior Bankers/ Officials as under: -

* LDM of the District
* Representative of the Agriculture Department.
* Representative from the Revenue Department of nearby block.
* State Bank of India
* Punjab National Bank
* HDFC Bank

The Concerned LDMs have submitted the account wise detail of all the KCC sanctioned, ownership of agriculture land and Land on Lease. SLBC Punjab has calculated the eligible KCC limits of the Bank as per RBI Master Circular on KCC financing for comparison with actual sanctioned limits.

The conclusion on the basis of data received from study committee was put up to 157th SLBC with rider that the data provided by the Study Committee on District Level seems inconsistent and non-reliable. The study requires some expertise; we are of the opinion that the study may be conducted again with the induction of some experts from NABARD as the Member of the Committee.

The SLBC approved the committee comprising RBI Chair, experts from NABARD & State Revenue Department and SLBC as members. The recommendations of the committee were placed in 162nd SLBC meeting and submitted to Department of Institutional Finance & Banking, Govt. of Punjab to consider for implementation.

During the deliberations held in 163rd SLBC Meeting**, Madam Garima Singh**, **IRS, Secretary Finance** advised that the committee should revisit the issue and come up with some practical recommendations so that the same can be implemented.

Further, as all the members of the committee were transferred/retired, it was suggested to form a new committee to deal with the issue. Accordingly, the concerned departments were requested to provide nomination and the same has now been received for all members.

A meeting of newly formed committee was held on 09.02.2024 wherein the outcome of previous meeting was shared with newly inducted members. It was discussed that all the new members will go through the previous outcome and after that next meeting will be held to come up with recommendations on the issue.

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| **Item No. 19** | **Review of Performance of Banks (excluding Coop. Banks) in key areas relating to Deposits, Advances & Priority Sector Advances** |

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The comparative position of key banking parameters is given below: -

**(Amount ` in crore)**

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| **Parameter** | **As At** | **Variation** |
| **December** **2021** | **December** **2022** | **December** **2023** | **December 2022/ December 2021** | **December 2023/ December 2022** |
| **Absolute** | **%age** | **Absolute** | **%age** |
| **Branches** | **6253** | **6265** | **6451** | **12** | **0.19** | **186** | **2.97** |
| **Agg. Deposits** | **504447** | **553292** | **610839** | **48845** | **9.68** | **57547** | **10.40** |
| **Advances** | **303894** | **326077** | **384037** | **22183** | **7.30** | **57960** | **17.77** |
| **PS Adv.** | **161143** | **173489** | **202152** | **12346** | **7.66** | **28663** | **16.52** |
| **Agri. Advances** | **74632** | **74959** | **87753** | **327** | **0.44** | **12794** | **17.07** |
| **Adv. to MSME**  | **68837** | **82325** | **92854** | **13488** | **19.59** | **10529** | **12.79** |
| **Weaker Sector Adv.** | **53475** | **62889** | **76591** | **9414** | **17.60** | **13702** | **21.79** |

 **(Bank-wise position is given in Annexure- 28, 9,10&15)**

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| **Item No. 20** | **PM VISHWAKARMA SCHEME** |

PM Vishwakarma Scheme was launched on 17th September, 2023 by the Hon’ble Prime Minister, to provide end-to-end holistic support to traditional artists and crafts people engaged in 18 identified through access to skill training, collateral free credit, modem tools, market linkage support and incentive for digital transactions.

All the branches can login at PM Vishwakarma portal (<https://pmvishwakarma.gov.in>) under lending institutions section by using their existing user credentials of Udyamimitra Portal for verification of account details of the beneficiary.

Further, Ministry of MSME has placed a mechanism for account verification through Bank Branches network whereby the correctness of Bank Account Number and Indian Financial System Code (IFSC) of the PM Vishwakarma beneficiary shall be verified/ validated by the Bank Branches where such bank account of the beneficiary is maintained. The purpose of this verification is to ensure that the account details of the beneficiary is correct before initiating credit transaction to the account of the beneficiary.

All the Lead District Managers and Banks were requested to participate proactively, put concerted efforts to source maximum applications and simultaneously process them also.

Position of applications at Stage 2 and Stage 3 :-

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| **PM Vishwakarma Scheme** |
| **Status** | **District Implementation Committee (Stage 2)** |  **State Screening Committee (Stage 3)** |
| **Applications Received** | **15566** | **3474** |
| **Recommended** | **3474** | **2826** |
| **Not Recommended** | **65** | **371** |
| **Pending** | **12027** | **277** |

13802 applications are pending with Banks for account verification as on 08.02.2024.

All the Banks are requested to dispose of the pending applications at earliest.

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| **Status of Pending Applications under Vishwakarma scheme in the State of Punjab as on 08.02.2024** |
| **S.No.** | **Name of Bank** | **No. of Pending Applications** |
| 1 | Bank of Baroda | 33 |
| 2 | Bank of India | 31 |
| 3 | Bank of Maharashtra | 24 |
| 4 | Canara Bank | 179 |
| 5 | Central Bank of India | 182 |
| 6 | Indian Bank | 219 |
| 7 | Indian Overseas Bank | 508 |
| 8 | Punjab & Sind Bank | 153 |
| 9 | Punjab National Bank | 3140 |
| 10 | UCO Bank | 88 |
| 11 | Union Bank of India | 182 |
| 12 | Axis Bank | 289 |
| 13 | Bandhan Bank | 7 |
| 14 | DCB | 9 |
| 15 | Federal Bank | 89 |
| 16 | HDFC Bank | 116 |
| 17 | IDBI Bank | 317 |
| 18 | AU SMALL FINANCE BANK | 6 |
| 19 | ICICI Bank | 49 |
| 20 | Indusind Bank | 71 |
| 21 | J&K Bank | 3 |
| 22 | Kotak Mahindra Bank | 251 |
| 23 | Ujjivan Small Finance Bank | 122 |
| 24 | Punjab Gramin Bank | 105 |
| 25 | YES BANK | 0 |
| 26 | JANA  FINANCE BANK | 1 |
| 27 | STATE BANK OF INDIA | 7628 |
| 28 | RBL BANK | 0 |
|   | Total | **13802** |
| **Item No. 21** | **MERA GHAR MERE NAAM/SVAMITVA Scheme** |

SVAMITVA Scheme is a flagship Scheme of Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Govt of India. The Scheme aims at creation of computerized Record of Right and Creation of GIS Maps of Abadi Deh areas of villages. The Scheme is being implemented in all the Districts of State of Punjab.

Under this scheme Property Cards have already been started generating in the Gurdaspur District. As informed by LDM, Gurdaspur few applications have been received under the scheme. Since, the Fard Jama Bandi is yet to be registered in the name of applicants, the Charge cannot be created in favour of bank. As such, the cases are kept pending until the records are updated on the name of applicants.

The Revenue Dept. is therefore requested to get the Fard Jama Bandi registered so that processing of loans can be initiated by the Banks.

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| **Item No. 22** | **Opening of RSETIs in Uncovered Potential Districts of Punjab State** |

Ministry of Rural Development, Govt of India had desired that RSETIs should be opened in the uncovered potential Districts of Punjab State. In view of great demand for imparting training to large number of candidates, it was desired that 50 percent of the RSETIs have to be opened before the end of FY 2023-24.

Accordingly, as informed by State Director Punjab for RSETIs during SLBC Sub Committee meeting, RSETI in Gurdaspur district will be opened in March month and the remaining RSETIs in the uncovered Potential Districts namely Pathankot, Tarn Taran Sahib, SBS Nagar and Fazilka will be opened by September 2024.

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| **Item No. 23** | **National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM)-Implementation in the State of Punjab** |

Rural Development Department, Govt. of Punjab informed that the NRLM scheme is implemented in 98 blocks in 23 Districts and Department proposed to extend it to 115 Blocks.

Punjab State Rural Livelihoods Mission submitted progress as at 30.09.2023 as under: -

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| **Cumulative Position of Self Help Group under NRLM** |
| **Targets for 2023-24(New + Revived) SHGs** | **No. Of SHGs Formed (01.10.23 to 31.12.23)** | **Cumulative position as at 31.12.2023** |
|  **35000** |  **3275** |  **50178** |

**(Amt.in lacs)**

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| **Period** | **Targets Credit Linkage of SHG’s (2023-24)** | **Application Received** | **Applications rejected** | **Applications sanctioned (01.04.23 to 31.12.23)** | **Amount disbursed** |
| **No. of Applications** | **Amount** | **01.04.23 to 31.12.23** | **01.04.23 to 31.12.23** | **No. of Applications** | **Amount** | **No. of Applications** | **Amount** |
| **Q.E December 2023** | **19000** | **20000** |  **18136** | **1724** | **7399** | **9692.80** | **7399** | **9692.80** |

Banks have sanctioned and disbursed 7399 Loan Applications up to Q.E December 2023.

  **(Bank wise & District wise detail is annexed as per Annexure-29 & 30)**

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| **Item No. 23.1** | **Position of Women Self Help Groups under NRLM** |

A major thrust of the Mission in the Deendayal Antyodaya Yojana-National Rural Livelihoods (DAY-NRLM) is to develop and diversify livelihoods of poor women through access to Bank credit. Programmes for Skill Development of women and support for individual beneficiary schemes for livelihoods are undertaken to enable a larger demand for economic activity through Bank credit.

**The progress as on 31.12.2023 is as under:-**

**(Amt.in lacs)**

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| **Cumulative Position of Women Self Help Groups.** |
| **No of Women SHG as on 30.09.2023** | **Progress of women SHGs during the current quarter (01.10.23 to 31.12.23)** | **Cumulative achievement as on 31.12.2023** |
| Saving Linked(Nos.) | Credit Linked(Nos.) | Amount Disbursed(In Lacs) | Saving Linked(Nos.) | Credit Linked(Nos.) | Amount Disbursed(In Lacs) | Saving Linked(Nos.) | Credit Linked(Nos.) | Amount Disbursed (In Lacs) |
| **46903** | **15261** | **12003.96** | **3275** | **1672** | **3066.39** |  **50178** |  **16933** |  **15070.35** |

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| **Item No. 24** | **Reduction in the frequency of DRLC meetings at District level** |

In terms of extant guidelines, DLRC meetings are to be held at least once in a quarter and in addition to the members of the DCC (District Consultative Committee), Public Representatives, i.e., Local MPs/MLAs/ Zilla Parishad Chiefs are also invited to these meetings.

Both DLRC and DCC meetings are held on a quarterly basis and having similar agenda. Members of DLRC and DCC are same, except the Public Representatives (invited as special invitee in DLRC meetings).

As per Reserve Bank of India’s observation “As the participation of Public Representatives is negligible in the quarterly DLRC meetings, therefore, it is proposed to reduce the frequency of DLRC meetings from Quarterly to Annual”.

The same is placed before house for approval.

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| **Item No. 25** | **Calendar for the SLBC Meetings –F.Y. 2024-25** |

The next SLBC Meeting for the Financial Year 2024-25 has been scheduled to be held as per Calendar given below: -

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| **SLBC Meeting** | **Quarter which is to be reviewed** | **Date of Meeting** |
| 168th | March 2024 | 15.05.2024(Wednesday) |
| 169th | June 2024 | 14.08.2024(Wednesday) |
| 170th | September 2024 | 14.11.2024(Thursday) |
| 171th | December 2024 | 13.02.2025(Thursday) |

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| **Item No. 26** | **Any other issue with the permission of the Chair** |

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| **Item No. 27** | MINUTES **OF 166th MEETING OF STATE LEVEL BANKERS’ COMMITTEE, PUNJAB Held on 23.11.2023.** |

MINUTES **OF 166thMEETING OF STATE LEVEL BANKERS’ COMMITTEE, PUNJAB Held on 23.11.2023.**

**CONVENER: PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK**

* The **166th Meeting** of the **State Level Bankers’ Committee, Punjab** to review the performance of banking system in the State of Punjab for the quarter ended **September 2023** was held **on 23.11.2023 at Hotel Hyatt Centric, Chandigarh** from **11:00 A.M onwards.** The meeting was Chaired by **Sh. Kalyan Kumar, Chairman SLBC & Executive Director, PNB**

**Besides, the meeting was attended by the following dignitaries-**

* Shri Diprava Lakra, IAS, Secretary Finance, Institutional Finance & Banking, Punjab
* Sh. D P S Kharbanda, IAS, CEO Invest Punjab & Administrative Secretary and Director Industries & Commerce, Punjab
* Sh. Yaswant Raj Acharya, Deputy General Manager, Reserve Bank of India
* Shri Raghunath B, Chief General Manager, NABARD, Chandigarh
* Shri Puskar Tarai, General Manager, PNB & Convener- SLBC

Also, the Senior Officers from RBI, State Government, Banks, Financial Institutions and various Corporations participated in the meeting.

The list of participants is as per **Annexure-I.**

**At the outset, Shri Puskar Tarai, Convenor-SLBC Punjab & General Manager, Punjab National Bank** in his welcome address extended a warm & hearty welcome to **Sh. Kalyan Kumar, Chairman SLBC & Executive Director, PNB; Shri Diprava Lakra, IAS**, Secretary Finance, Institutional Finance & Banking, Punjab**; Sh. D P S Kharbanda, IAS**, CEO Invest Punjab & Administrative Secretary and Director Industries & Commerce, Punjab; **Sh. Yaswant Raj Acharya, Deputy General Manager, Reserve Bank of India; Chandigarh and** **Sh. Raghunath B, Chief General Manager, NABARD,** LDMs, Senior Officers from RBI, State Government, Banks, various Corporations.

He said that SLBC will deliberate & review the progress of Banks for the quarter ended September, 2023 along with the policy, financial & other issues related to progress & economic conditions of state of Punjab. As per RBI’s Revamped Lead Bank Scheme, SLBC-Punjab conducted meeting of five Sub-committees to SLBC on 07.11.2023 to deliberate statistical data and other routine issues. Action points emerged during the meetings were circulated to the steering sub-committee to finalize the agenda for the SLBC meeting. He requested all member banks to ensure data sanctity and timely submission of SLBC data.

Speaking about the progress of Banks in the Punjab state for the period ended September, 2023, In Punjab the YOY deposit growth is 12.52% as on 30.09.2023. Scheduled Commercial Banks(SCB) growing at 12.80%, Public Sector Banks(PSB) growing at 7.22%, Pvt. Banks growing at 27.80%. PSB share in deposits is 65% and Pvt. Banks have share of 27%. Position of Major banks in deposits as of Sept 2023 is: **SBI:** 132399 Cr, **PNB:** 120073 Cr and **HDFC:** 74998 Cr.

He cited that in Punjab the YOY credit growth is 15.22% as on 30.09.2023. SCB growing at 15.84%, PSB growing at 3.90%, Pvt. Banks growing at 34.64%. PSB bank share in advances portfolio is 49.66% and Pvt. Banks share is 42%. Major banks in advances as on Sept 2023 are: **HDFC: 86808 Cr, SBI: 70960 Cr, PNB: 43728 Cr**.

Commenting on Agriculture growth, he said that the state is growing at 9.27% as on 30.09.2023 with SCB growing @ 10.95%. PSB banks share in Agriculture advances is 46.49% and Pvt. banks share is 36%. The term loan component under agriculture is only 27% and there is a need for Infrastructure financing or Capital formation in rural area which will ultimately increase agriculture/ rural income of farmers in the state.

While deliberating on the progress of Banks under National Goals he apprised that share of Priority Sector Advances to Total Advances is 55.15%. Share of Agriculture Advances to Total Advances is 23.61%, Share of Weaker Sector Advances to Total Advances is 19.42%, Share of Advances to Small and Marginal Farmers to Total Advances is 9.86% and Share of Micro Advances to Total Advances is 11.45%

Speaking about other important aspects which need to be taken care of like Financial Literacy, Digitalisation of Banking Services, implementation of Annual Credit Plan, Social Security Schemes to deliver the benefits to poor and under-privileged in true spirit, he requested the member banks to implement the schemes with full zeal and enthusiasm for nation building and extended best wishes for fruitful & conclusive deliberations on all agenda issues of the meeting.

**Sh. Kalyan Kumar, Chairman SLBC & Executive Director, PNB** in his Keynote address extended a warm and hearty welcome to distinguished guests **Sh. Yaswant Raj Acharya, Deputy General Manager, Reserve Bank of India; Shri Diprava Lakra, IAS**, **Secretary Finance, Institutional Finance & Banking, Government of Punjab; Sh. D P S Kharbanda, IAS**, CEO Invest Punjab & Administrative Secretary and Director Industries & Commerce, Punjab and **Sh. Raghunath B, Chief General Manager, NABARD, Chandigarh.**

He apprised the house that we will be reviewing the performance of Banks in the state of Punjab for the quarter ended September 2023 and deliberating on road map for attaining the targets for FY 2023-24 set forth by Regulatory & other Authorities.

He touched upon the evolving macro-economic conditions in the country. He said that the Global real GDP is forecasted to grow by 2.9 percent in 2023, down from 3.3 percent in 2022 and further slowing to 2.5 percent in 2024. Economic growth is weighed down by still high inflation and continued monetary policy tightening.

## He also mentioned that the Central Bank has kept the kept the key policy repo rate unchanged at 6.5%. This is the fourth meeting that the MPC decided to maintain the status quo on the repo rate. The MPC last raised this rate by 25 bps to 6.50% at its meeting in February 2023. The Real GDP growth projection for FY24 remains unchanged at 6.5%. Similarly, inflation for FY24 is projected at 5.4%, unchanged from earlier.

Talking about the Banking network he said that in the state of Punjab, there are 6,493 branches, out of which Public Sector Banks have 4,018 branches, Private Sector Banks have 2036 and Regional Rural Banks have 439 branches. Further, there are 7,289 ATMs in the state.

He affirmed that the banks in the state of Punjab have been putting in concerted efforts for effective implementation of various Government led schemes and contributing to economic well-being & financial inclusion in the state of Punjab.

Informing the house about performance under ACP during FY2023-24, he said that the performance of banks in ACP achievement for September 2023 is commendable as achievement remained at 111%. The achievement under Agriculture, MSME segment and Other Priority Sector is 89%, 146% and 86%, respectively.

He congratulated the member banks and LDMs of Jalandhar, Muktsar Sahib, Fatehgarh Sahib and Ludhiana districts for achieving more than 100% of their allocated targets of total Priority Sector under Annual Credit Plan.

Speaking about the Banking Business under various segments in Punjab as on 30.09.2023, he said that the YoY growth (September 23/September 22) under Deposits remained at 12.80%, under Advances 15.84%, PS Advances 18.42%, under Agriculture 10.95% and under MSME at 29.40%, respectively.

CD Ratio of banks in the State increased to 61.19% as on 30.09.2023 as against 59.58% as on 30.09.2022. He requested all the member banks to make concerted efforts for increasing the credit flow to support growth in Punjab.

Speaking about the various newly launched Central Sector Schemes, he briefed about the “PM Vishwakarma Scheme” with financial outlay of Rs.13,000 crore for a period of five years (FY 2023-24 to FY 2027-28 to support artisans and craftspeople of rural and urban areas across India and urged upon all the member banks to sensitize field functionaries about the scheme.

Talking about the **"Ghar Ghar KCC Abhiyan"** launched on 19th September 2023 to saturate the remaining PM Kissan beneficiaries with Short Term Agriculture Loans through KCC from **1st October 2023 to 31st December 2023,** he requested the Bnaks/LDMs tosupport the initiative with full zeal so that dual objectives of achieving saturation and doubling of Farmers Income are achieved.

Further, **KCC Campaign for Animal Husbandry & Fisheries has been extended till 31.03.2024.** All the stake-holders to participate in the Campaign wholeheartedly to source & sanction as many applications as possible and also expeditiously dispose of the pending applications.

Speaking about the Saturation Campaign under PMJJBY & PMSBY schemes, he said that the Dept. of Financial Services, Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India launched a Special Campaign of Three Months starting from 01.10.2023 to 31.12.2023 at Gram Panchayat Level where in Gram Panchayat camps are being organized by LDMs.

Total enrolments in Punjab State under Social Security Schemes during Current FY up to 30.09.2023 are- 32,88,454 in PMJJBY, 1,04,99,302 in PMSBY and 2,17,897 in APY. He appealed to all bankers to ensure that all eligible persons, not already covered under PMJJBY and PMSBY, are enrolled during the Campaign period.

Informing the house regarding another important initiative by Govt of India “Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra” being organized from 15th November,2023 with the aim to raise awareness through outreach activities of various centrally sponsored schemes and will cover all Gram Panchayts in the country by 26.01.2024. He urged all the Member Banks and Lead District Managers in the state of Punjab to align/integrate the ongoing Jansuraksha campaign and source maximum applications under Jan Suraksha schemes i.e, PMJDY, PMJJBY, PMSBY, APY and PMMY in the camps. Also source KCC Applications under GHAR GHAR KCC ABHIYAN, link PM SVANidhi beneficiaries with other schemes.

He further suggested member banks to strive for 100% Digitalization in the state of Punjab and focus on increasing the share of digital transactions vis-à-vis the total transactions through adoption of new age technologies and on-boarding of more and more customers/merchants on digital platforms.

While concluding, he conveyed his best wishes to all member banks for achievement of targets in this Financial Year and assured full cooperation from banking fraternity towards strengthening and uplifting the socio-economic conditions of the people of the State.

Sh. Yaswant Raj Acharya, Deputy General Manager, Reserve Bank of India, Chandigarh in his address to the house welcomed the dignitaries and all participants. Reviewing the performance of the banks for the Q.E. Sept 2023, he appreciated the work done by the banks and said that the targets have been achieved under almost all parameters i.e. CD Ratio, Priority Sector Advances, Agriculture Advances, Advances to Small & Marginal Farmers, Micro Advances. The ACP targets of the state have also been achieved.

However, there are some areas which require more focus. For example, in districts Hoshiarpur, Jalandhar, Kapurthala, SBS Nagar & Pathankot, more efforts are required on the part of the banks to achieve the National Level of CD Ratio.

Similarly, for the expansion of Digital Payment Infrastructure, initially 5 districts i.e. Kapurthala, SAS Nagar, Malerkotla, Fazilka & Faridkot were identified by Reserve Bank of India for 100% digitalization. However, despite the constant endeavors of RBI, the objective

 of 100% digitalization has not been achieved. Now, as per directions of Reserve Bank, the entire Punjab State is to be covered for which SLBC has given the timeline to all the districts.

Citing the examples of Kerala & Telangana who have achieved 100% digitalization, he apprised the house of Strategies adopted by these States-

* Bank wise & District wise Monitorable Action plans have been formed by these states.
* Assessment Surveys have been conducted by LDMs in each district for identification of Merchants, Traders, Business Utility Service Providers who can be digitally covered with POS, QR Code etc.
* State Level Nodal Officers have been appointed by each bank.

He requested all the Banks & LDMs to learn from these strategies & implement them to move towards 100% digitalization. He further requested for operationalization of Data Portal at the earliest so that manual intervention can be minimized.

Talking about the **Reserve Bank of India’s** 100 Days 100 Pays' Campaign for unclaimed deposits in DEAF accounts of Govt. Departments, he said that due to one or the other reason, huge amount of funds are lying unclaimed. He requested the Govt. Depts. and member banks to come forth and follow up for identifying/tracing these accounts.

Speaking about **Reserve Bank of India’s** another initiative of Opening **Financial Literacy Centers,** he raised the concern that only 47 FLCs are operational in the state instead of 150 and there are even some districts like Jalandhar, Rupnagar, SBS Nagar etc. where no FLC is functioning. Considering the importance of Financial Literacy, he requested the member banks to work towards it.

Further, as per guidelines of DFS, MoF, GoI, the banks are requested to ensure that reissuance of existing cards and issuance of new cards should be Near Field Communication(NFC) enabled/ Contactless equipped with National Common Mobility Card functionality as default function. The purpose is to promote the use of One card in all payments systems across India to facilitate digital transactions for small daily payments and thus also attaining the objective of digitalization.

**Sh. Diprava Lakra, IAS**, **Secretary Finance, Institutional Finance & Banking, Government of Punjab i**n his address said that although the achievement of 61% CD Ratio is a good sign but the GDP is not increasing which is a matter of concern. While the

Deposits have grown by 12% on YoY basis but the CD ratio has increased by 1.6% only. So he emphasized that as the deposits are increasing, the CD ratio should also increase at the corresponding level.

Speaking about RBI’s concern regarding Unclaimed deposits, he requested the member banks to provide the details of all such Govt. dept. accounts.

He requested the banks to participate aggressively to cover the remaining eligible beneficiaries under “Ghar Ghar KCC Abhiyan” till 31.03.2024 and especially 100% coverage of allied sector should be there.

As far as Agriculture Infrastructure Fund scheme is concerned, the Govt. of Punjab will soon sign an MoU with SIDBI and probably take a loan of R.250 crores. He informed that the proposal was submitted by 3-4 states and Punjab was one of them for launch of Urban Infrastructure Development scheme.

Impressing upon the importance of Digital Payments, he requested the Reserve Bank of India to have data on how far digitalization has contributed towards boosting of economy & GDP growth.

He further requested the member banks to have robust systems for prevention of Cyber Frauds so as to create faith in people for digitalization.

**Sh. D P S Kharbanda, IAS, CEO Invest Punjab & Administrative Secretary and Director Industries & Commerce, Punjab** in his address appreciated the banks for their performance during Q.E.Sept 2023. He then touched upon a very important scheme launched recently by Hon’ble Prime Minister i.e. PM Vishwakarma Scheme and expressed the concern that under the scheme, as compared to identified applications, the number of sanctions is very less.

He said that the scheme was earlier going on as Prime Minister Employment Generation Programme, a basic scheme for the Youngsters/Entrepreneurs for building the society. There are about 150 Govt. &160 Pvt. ITIs in the state producing around 1 Lakh Technical Skill Force every year. The Govt. of Punjab with the dedication of Hon’ble CM, has invested Rs.58000 cr in last one year as a result of which 2.98 Lakh number of employments were generated in state.

However, for the scheme to reach the grass root level and benefit the masses & poor strata of society, he requested all the banks to come forth, do sanctions under the scheme and build the Entrepreneurship. He further suggested that holding quarterly meetings by the

banks with Technical Education Institute’s Alumni can help the young Entrepreneurs in getting loans under the scheme and thus also boost the economic growth of state. Also, the banks can display success story of Entrepreneurs under PMEGP scheme outside the bank branches to inspire more and more people.

**Shri Raghunath B, Chief General Manager, NABARD** in his address flagged the issue regarding integrity of data. Reviewing the position under Priority Sector Advances, he said that the overall achievement for the half year ended Sept. 2023 is 111%, but under Agriculture, it is 89% and for the Crop Loan, it is around 81%. To see a trend in the performance under Crop Loans over the last few years, an analysis was being done at NABARD level but no pattern could be designed. So he requested the member banks to focus on the data integrity since it is the responsibility of Controlling Offices of Banks to report correct data to SLBC even when the data portal becomes alive.

Further, he added that as Punjab is an Agriculture Dominant Economy, so while sanctioning loans, the Right Appraisal of Agriculture Projects is of utmost importance. Very often it has been seen in case of certain banks that Crop loan is not given on the basis of Land available with the farmer and the Scale of Finance. So, the credit should be given after proper assessment, purely for the purpose it is invented as only then the farmers will get adequate returns and timely repayment will be there.

While contemplating the Term Lending, there is need to check the Cost of Investment, the returns that the investment creates and also factoring the cost with the subsidy that the Govt. provides. With the right appraisal, the fear of repayment will be removed and performance will be improved.

Now, as the Govt. of India has requested all bankers to enter the details of all such farmers of which Interest Subvention is being claimed from GoI, there will definitely be Deweeding of Farmers with multiple KCCs.

Further as “Viksit Bharat Sanklap Yatra” has kicked off in Punjab, he suggested the LDMs to converge it with the “Ghar Ghar KCC Abhiyan” as it will give impetus to both the programmes.

Sh. Akhil Mangal, AGM, SLBC welcome the distinguished guests and all other participants. Addressing the concerns raised by **Sh. Yaswant Raj Acharya**, DGM, RBI, Chandigarh, he apprised the house that data of all the banks was uploaded on portal for the Q.E. Sept 2023 and maximum annexures were generated, except few as due to some technical issues the data for one or two banks was not reflecting. Rigorous efforts are being done to get all the output reports from portal only for upcoming SLBC meeting.

Further, all the banks have been instructed to fill the vacant FLCs at the earliest. **Reserve Bank of India’s “**100 Days 100 Pays” Campaign is also being given due emphasis & is also placed as Table Agenda Item in Today’s meeting.

 The Agenda Items were discussed as under: -

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| **Agenda Item No. 1** | **Confirmation of minutes of 165th Meeting of State Level Bankers' Committee (Punjab)**  |

The House confirmed the e-mailed/circulated minutes of above meeting as no comments/suggestions were received.

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| **Item No. 2** | **Annual Credit Plan 2023-24 Achievements up to 30.09.2023** |

ACP achievement of the Banks during F.Y 2023-24 for the Q.E September 2023 is 111%, Banks have achieved 89% in agriculture, 146% in MSME and 86% in other priority sector.

Top performing districts with more than 100% achievement i.e. Jalandhar, Muktsar Sahib, Fatehgarh Sahib & Ludhiana were applauded for their performance.

The top performing banks are HDFC, Axis Bank, Punjab Gramin Bank and Union Bank of India.

AGM, SLBC said that there is need to work more for agriculture sector and requested the banks to work harder for improved performance.

**Action: All Banks & LDMs**

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| **Item No. 3** | **Overall CD Ratio** |

During the period under review overall CD Ratio of State of Punjab increased by 2.20% on QoQ basis and on YoY basis, it has grown by 1.61%. Thus, the CD ratio of the state is 61.19% as on 30.09.2023.

The major decline is in the ICICI Bank (-33.83%) and Federal Bank (-21.04%).

The concerned banks with less than 60% CD ratio were requested to make concerted efforts for improved position in the upcoming quarter and also see that the CD ratio increases at corresponding level with deposits.

**Action: All Banks& LDMs**

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| **Item No. 3.1** | **CD Ratio - Rural Areas**  |

The CD Ratio in Rural Areas has declined by 0.48 PPS on YoY basis and 2.48 PPS on QoQ basis which is a matter of concern as all the schemes of Govt. of India are mainly oriented towards rural areas only.

The concerned Banks were therefore requested to improve their CD ratio and ensure steady growth.

**Action: All Banks& LDMs**

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| **Item No. 4** | **Credit Deposit Ratio – Implementation of the Recommendations of Expert Group on CD Ratio** |

CD Ratio in all districts i.e. Jalandhar, Kapurthala, Hoshiarpur & Pathankot districts has increased by 4.72%, 1.57%, 020% & 12.38% respectively. The Pathankot district has crossed the target of 40% and its CD ratio is 41.22% as on 30.09.2023.

However, the SBS Nagar district has shown decline in CD Ratio which is a matter of concern. The major decline is in UCO & Indusind Bank.

The concerned Banks and LDM SBS Nagar were advised to strive hard for improving the CD Ratio and formulate strategy for regular monitoring as the district is lagging behind.

**Action: Concerned LDMs/Banks**

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| **Item No. 5** | **Review of National Goals** |

The state has surpassed the targets under almost all parameters of National Goals. The Priority Sector Advances achievement to Net Bank Credit has increased to 55.15% as on 30.09.2023 from 53.95% as at Sept 2022. Under agriculture, the state has achieved 23.61% against the target of 18%. The achievement of National goal under small & marginal farmers is 9.86% against the target of 10%. However, the CD ratio in rural areas is at 47.67% and in Semi Urban areas is 55.77% only which needs improvement.

**Shri Kalyan Kumar, Executive Director, PNB** said that the low CD ratio in Rural Area is a matter of great concern and there is need to formulate strategies by the Banks/LDMs to improve the same.

**AGM, SLBC** asked the LDMs to take up this agenda in all BLBC/DLRC meetings and work with the banks with low CD ratio in rural areas for improved position.

**Action: All Banks**

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| **Item No. 6** | **Ground level Credit data** |

The achievement of Commercial Banks under Ground Level Credit is 87%, RRBs 118% and Coop Banks is 85%. The overall achievement as on 30.09.2023 is 89%.

**AGM, SLBC** requested the member banks who have not achieved the targets especially the Punjab State Coop. Bank to improve the performance.

**Action: All Banks**

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| **Item No. 7** | **Priority Sector Advances** |

During the period under review, Priority Sector Advances in Punjab has been increased by Rs. 31293 Crores, from Rs.169911 crores as at Sept 2022 to Rs.201204 crores as at Sept 2023 thus showing a growth of 18.42%.

**Action: All Banks**

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| **Item No. 8** | **Agriculture Advances** |

The Agriculture Advances in the State during the period under review witnessed an increase of Rs.8498 crores from Rs.77628 crores as at Sept 2022 to Rs.86126 crores as at Sept 2023 thus showing increase of 10.95%.

All the banks performed well during the quarter and requested to keep up the momentum in future also.

**Action: All Banks**

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| **Item No. 8.1** | **NPA in Agriculture Sector** |

The percentage NPA under Agriculture sector have come down to 2.55% from 3.19% on YoY basis. As on Sept 2023, NPAs are to the tune of Rs.9581 crores which is 10.11% of Agriculture advances outstanding.

Thus the recovery mechanism has been good and the position will be improved further. However, the Banks with high NPA percentage need to improve their recovery system, increase the share of agriculture advances to decrease the NPA percentage.

**Shri Puskar Tarai, General Manager, PNB** requested the member banks to check the position of accounts likely to be slipped into NPA, till March 2024 in advance so as to help with the recovery and thereby not increasing the NPA further.

**Action: All Banks/ Agriculture Dept.**

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| **Item No. 8.2** | **Agriculture Advances through Term Loan.** |

Out of the total Agriculture advances of Rs.94735 crores, term loan component is Rs26007 crores which comes to 27.45% and only minimal progress has been there.

To increase the Term Loan Financing, **AGM, SLBC** suggested the banks to do financing under various schemes like Agriculture Infrastructure Fund, PMFME etc. and do maximum financing in the form of Investment Credit to help the farmers.

Punjab being the Agriculture state, the Agriculture Infrastructure Financing should pick up and go beyond at least 30%. The banks with low progress were requested to analyze their position and improve.

**Action: Concerned Banks/ Agriculture Dept.**

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| **Item No. 9.1** | **“Ghar Ghar KCC Abhiyan” KCC Saturation Drive from 01.10.2023 to 31.12.2023** |

Hon'ble Minister of Finance & Corporate Affairs and Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Gol has launched "Ghar Ghar KCC Abhiyan" **to cover all Left-over PM Kisan Beneficiaries with KCC from 1st October 2o23 to 31st December 2023.**

The primary objective of the Abhiyan is to ensure that maximum number of eligible farmers have access to credit through the KCC so that they can get loans at a cheaper rate from institutional banking system to meet their short term/long term cultivation requirement, post-harvest expenses, maintenance of farm asset and consumption requirement etc.

Reviewing the progress under campaign, AGM SLBC said that as of now only 20% saturation has been done. All the LDMs and Banks were requested to proactively participate to make the campaign a great success and upload the progress on portal also.

 **Action:All Banks**

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| **Item No. 9.2** | **KCC-ATM cum Debit Cards position** |

The overall percentage of cards issued as on 30.09.2023 is 69% and many Banks are still lagging behind i.e. UCO Bank, Canara Bank, IDBI, Bank of India and HDFC have very low percentage achievement.

**Shri Kalyan Kumar, Chairman-SLBC** asked the banks regarding challenges if any being faced for issuance of Debit cards to all KCC holders to which the concerned banks assured to remove the gap at the earliest.

**Action: Concerned Banks**

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| **Item No. 10** | **Advances to SC Beneficiaries** |

The **Advances to SC Beneficiaries** in the State during the period under review witnessed a decrease of Rs.413 Crores i.e. 6.42 % on YoY basis.

The Banks with major decline are Bank of India and Kotak Mahindra. The concerned banks were enquired the reasons for such decline and asked to improve the position during upcoming quarter.

**Action: Concerned Banks**

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| **Item No.11** | **Pradhan Mantri MUDRA Yojana (PMMY)** |

The achievement against the target of Rs.3883.40cr is Rs.1758 cr and comes out to 45%.

The performance under the scheme is not up to the mark.

Emphasizing upon Govt. of India’s thrust regarding Skill Building and Entrepreneurship development**, Shri Kalyan Kumar, Executive Director, PNB** said that the Banks have a very crucial role in bringing change in society through capacity building, increasing Credit Worthiness of borrowers and financing them. Being the Bankers, it will be a matter of pride for them to see the Entrepreneurs grow.

So he requested the banks to focus more on Shishu Loans and do maximum financing under the scheme as the performance is not satisfactory.

**Action: All Banks & LDMs**

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| **Item No. 11.1** | **NPA under Pradhan Mantri MUDRA Yojana (PMMY)** |

Although the NPA under MUDRA decreased from 9.60% as on 30.09.2022 to 9.57% as on 30.09.2023 and slight improvement has been there but still the NPA is on a higher side.

**Shri Kalyan Kumar, Chairman, SLBC** suggested that to reduce the NPA, there is a need to create awareness by the banks among small borrowers that if their account becomes NPA, it will affect the credit worthiness and they will be unable to avail loan facilities in future.

**AGM, SLBC** apprised that instructions were received from DFS, GoP also wherein it was advised that in all Financial Literacy Camps, the banks should create awareness regarding importance & ways to maintain good CIBIL record and the same were communicated to all member banks/LDMs to ensure compliance.

He said that the position of NPA has improved only in case of two major banks i.e. SBI & PNB and all other banks are requested to dedicatedly work towards reducing the NPA in Mudra.

 **Action: All Banks**

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| **Item No. 12** | **Prime Minister Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP)** |

Although the Banks in the state of Punjab have achieved the targets of Margin Money under PMEGP scheme. But the Pvt. Sector Banks are not contributing to the progress which is a matter of concern.

**Sh. Kalyan Kumar, ED, PNB** raised concern regarding NIL performance of many Pvt. Banks. He enquired from them the reasons for the same and asked to formulate strategies to improve sanctioning as this is a part of Social Upliftment as well.

The representative from Indusind Bank informed that they are not receiving any cases to which **Sh. Kalyan Kumar, ED, PNB** directed to coordinatewith DIC for providing applications to Pvt. Banks.

**Sh. D P S Kharbanda, IAS**, Director Industries & Commerce, Govt. of Punjab said that in Ludhiana District, 776 cases from 14 ITIs of Skilled persons were identified. The meetings were conducted with DC & LDM and 306 cases were given to banks, out of which only 52 cases were sanctioned. He appreciated the PNB for sanctioning maximum cases and requested the other banks also to follow.

He suggested that quarterly meetings should be held by the LDMs with the Technical Institutes which will give quality proposals to banks as well as increase the sanctioning under the scheme.

**Shri Diprava Lakra, IAS**, Secretary Finance, Institutional Finance & Banking, Punjab advised that PMEGP targets should be given to the banks in proportion to the Govt. deposits with them.

**Action: All Banks, LDMs & KVIC Dept.**

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| **Item No. 13** | **Stand-up India Programme of Ministry of Finance** |

Expressing concern over the performance of Banks under Stand-Up India Flagship Programme, **AGM SLBC** said that the scheme has not yet picked up in state and 5419 cases amounting to Rs.953 crores have been sanctioned since inception. During the current quarter, only 427 cases amounting to Rs.68 cr have been sanctioned.

Top 3 Banks as per %age of participation in the scheme are Union Bank of India, SBI & Punjab Gramin Bank.

**Shri Puskar Tarai, Convenor-SLBC** requested the LDMs to focus and achieve at least one loan per branch to get progress under the scheme as most of the banks have zero performance.

**Shri Diprava Lakra, IAS**, Secretary Finance expressed the concern that no progress has been there since past few quarters and No sanctioning has been done to Female/SC/ST entrepreneurs. Except for Punjab Gramin Bank, PNB, Union Bank of India and SBI, the performance of all other banks is NIL.

The Banks were requested to strive hard and achieve the target of at least one loan per branch.

**Action: All Banks**

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| **Item No. 14** | **Pradhan Mantri Suraksha BimaYojana (PMSBY) and Pradhan MantriJeevanJyotiBimaYojana (PMJJBY).** |

AGM, SLBC apprised the house that as on 30.09.2023, around 1.3 Crore enrolments have been done under both these Social Security Schemes. Although, the achievement so far has been good, still there lies a huge scope as a large number of eligible population is yet to be covered and the state is lagging behind the targets.

**Action: All Banks**

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| **Item No. 14.1** | **Campaign for Jansuraksha Schemes at GP level in all Districts from 01.10.2023 to 31.12.2023.** |

Department of Financial Services, MOF launched three months Campaign at Gram Panchayat Level starting from 1st of October,2023 to 31st of December,2023 with an objective to saturate all eligible account holders under Jansuraksha Schemes i.e. Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY) and Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY).

AGM, SLBC apprised the house that the campaign has now been converged with **“Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra**”. So he requested all the LDMs and Banks to work in Camp Mode, sensitize field functionaries & proactively target every eligible person for saturation of beneficiaries under both schemes.

**Action: All Banks& LDMs**

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| **Item No. 15** | **Atal Pension Yojana (APY)** |

The overall achievement under the scheme as on 30.09.2023 is 45% and is not satisfactory.

The Private sector banks are not contributing and have achieved only 4.57%.

AGM, SLBC informed that during the Q.E. Sept 2023 an awareness program was also organised in SAS Nagar, Mohali under the aegis of PFRDA, however no significant improvement has been there in performance of banks.

**Sh. Kalyan Kumar, Chairman SLBC** said that these Social Security Schemes are the identity of a Developed Nation and enrolling the population under them will be Bank’s contribution towards this purpose. So he requested all banks to whole heartedly work to achieve the objective of saturation.

**Action: Concerned Banks**

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| **Agenda Item No. 16** | **Review of progress of implementation of various packages announced by RBI/Govt. of India for different sector of economy in view of COVID pandemic**  |

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| **Item No. 16.1** | **PM Street Vendors Atma Nirbhar Nidhi (PM- SVANidhi) a special Micro Credit Facility Scheme** |

Out of 215397 applications received till 19.10.2023, 170298 applications have been sanctioned so far and 145411 applications have been disbursed. 24887 applications are pending for disbursement and there are 1301 applications which are yet to be picked up by the banks. AGM, SLBC informed that pendency of both sanction & disbursement is very high.

**Technical Director, Local Govt**. informed that around 50000 applications are pending as on date out of which there are around 30000 new applications which are 3 months old. There is a need to pass instructions at Micro/Branch Level as due to long pending applications, the applicants are losing faith in scheme.

**Sh. Kalyan Kumar, Chairman SLBC** said that the very purpose of this scheme was that the Street Vendors do need to visit the branches and they become a part of real economy. Their Credit worthiness will be established once they become a part of Banking System by simply transacting through the QR Code given and it will ultimately nurture Entrepreneurship as well. The current penetration of these Small Merchants is only 20% as of now and will become 3 times in the next 3 years. Thus, a huge opportunity is lying untapped before the bankers and an integrated approach is required on the part of banks to benefit from it. Banks can take leverage of existing Digital Payment Infrastructure which will ensure recovery also and thus, make these vendors also a part of main economy.

Thus, member banks were requested to come forth and put concerted efforts for this Flagship Scheme of Govt. of India.

**Action: Banks/ LDMs**

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| **Item No. 16.2** | **Nationwide AHDF KCC Campaign for providing Kisan Credit Card facility to all eligible Animal Husbandry and Fishery Farmers announced by Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying** |

Under the campaign, a total of 63111 applications have been received so far for KCC to Animal Husbandry & Dairy out of which 48363 have been sanctioned and 1046 applications are pending with banks.

Further, for KCC to Fisheries, out of total 521 applications received, only 77 applications have been sanctioned, 94 applications are pending with banks and as many as 350 applications have been rejected.

It was observed that the rejection is very high in Fisheries with SBI, P&SB and IOB having maximum rejections. The Concerned Banks were asked reasons for the same to which AGM, SBI informed that either the loans have already been availed under some other activity or there are issues of CIBIL default.

The member banks were requested to clear the pendency at the earliest.

Quoting the example of Special meeting held at NABARD for providing KCC to beneficiaries of Poultry, Piggery & Goat Farming, **AGM, SLBC** requested all the banks to identify such FPOs and give maximum Financial Assistance to them.

**Action: Banks/ LDMs**

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| **Item No. 16.3** | **CENTRAL SECTOR SCHEME FOR “FINANCING FACILITY UNDER AGRICULTURE INFRASTRUCTURE FUND”** |

Banks have received 11021 applications under the scheme as on 30.09.2023 and have sanctioned 6394 applications and 754 applications are still under process. AGM SLBC asked the Nodal Dept. to source maximum number of applications and banks to clear the pendency of disbursal at the earliest.

Representative from Horticulture dept. said that the state has made significant progress this year with support of banks and as a result, Punjab state is at 1st position in the country in terms of sanction as well Sanction to Disbursal Ratio. As many as 12000 projects have been uploaded on portal for the current year as compared to only 250 applications during the previous year.

The member banks were requested to regularly keep on updating the portal, continue to maintain TAT of 60 days and organize more Extension & Awareness Programs to achieve the target of Rs.4700 Cr of sanctioned amount by the year 2026.

**Action: Banks & Horticulture Dept.**

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| **Item No. 16.4** | **PM Formalisation of Micro Food Processing Enterprises Scheme (PM FME Scheme)** |

Banks have received 2687 applications, out of which 1677 have been sanctioned. 173 applications are still pending with banks. The Top performing banks under the scheme are SBI, PNB, P&SB, HDFC and Canara Bank.

AGM, SLBC requested the member banks to do maximum sanctioning as Formalization of Micro Food Processing Enterprises is a very important sector and a good scheme to market the farmer’s products. With the adoption of One District One Product approach under the scheme, all kind of necessary support will be provided by the Govt. itself. So it comes our responsibility also to make this scheme a success which will ultimately benefit our farmers.

**Sh. Rajnish Tuli, GM, Punjab Agro** informed that as per guideline of Ministry of Food Processing & Industries, Govt. of India, all branches to generate One Beneficiary Per Branch Per Month. Thus, all the banks are requested to do the needful. Further, there are banks whose contribution is not much i.e. Bank of Baroda, Bank of India, Indian Overseas Bank etc. The concerned banks are requested to improve performance considering their presence in the state as only 35% of targets have been achieved so far.

**Action: LDMs & Banks**

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| **Item No. 17 & 17.1** | **EXPANDING AND DEEPENING THE DIGITAL PAYMENT ECO-SYSTEM IN IDENTIFIED DISTRICTS-KAPURTHALA, SAS NAGAR(MOHALI), MALERKOTLA, FARIDKOT & FAZILKA** |

The overall Digital coverage position of district Kapurthala is 95% & 80% in Savings & Current Account respectively. The Reserve Bank of India gave timeline of 31.10.2023 for 100% digitalization of district. However, the same was not achieved and during the Sub Committee Meetings to SLBC, LDM Kapurthala assured of 100% coverage by 30.11.2023.

LDM Kapurthala informed that the coverage was 98% till 31.10.2023 and the same will be completed by 30th November 2023.

**Chairman SLBC** said that with the strengthening of Digital Payment Ecosystem, many problems of the banks including recovery will be resolved. Stating the examples of digital payments in Dairy & Mandis, he said with the payments being credited directly to the accounts of farmers, not only the gap will be covered but the Bank advances will also be secured.

The other LDMs i.e. SAS Nagar, Malerkotla, Fazilka & Faridkot were also advised to complete the digitalization within the Prescribed timeline.

**Action: All Banks & LDMs**

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| **Item No.17.2** | **EXPANDING AND DEEPENING THE DIGITAL PAYMENT ECO-SYSTEM –COVERAGE OF ALL DISTRICTS ACROSS THE STATE** |

**Sh. Yaswant Raj Acharya, DGM, RBI** said that earlier there were only few districts but now all the districts across the state are to be covered with 100% digitalization.

Thus, all the banks are requested to collectively & rigorously work for achieving this goal well in advance before the timelines given.

**AGM, SLBC** asked the Banks & LDMs to work with Targeted approach, discuss the issues if any faced in the BLBC/DLRC meetings and achieve the objective of digitalization.

**Action: All Banks & LDMs**

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| **Item No.18** | **Scale of Finance in Agriculture Advances** |

**AGM, SLBC** apprised the house that the nomination from all concerned departments have been received. The representatives from SLBC, NABARD, Revenue Dept. and RBI Chair, CRRID will be the members for the committee formed to study the issue of over financing in agriculture.

The Meeting of the Committee will be held shortly to decide the future course of action.

**Action: SLBC**

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| **Item No. 20** | **PM VISHWAKARMA SCHEME** |

PM Vishwakarma Scheme was launched on 17th September, 2023 by the Hon’ble Prime Minister, to provide end-to-end holistic support to traditional artists and crafts people engaged in 18 identified through access to skill training, collateral free credit, modem tools, market linkage support and incentive for digital transactions.

For sanctioning of applications under the scheme, the initial verification for correctness of Name, Bank Account Number and Indian Financial System Code (IFSC) of the PM Vishwakarma beneficiary is to be done by the concerned Bank Branches. The same will be later on forwarded to the Gram Panchayats & DCs for verification.

However, AGM SLBC informed that as of now, the pendency at branch level is very high. The Banks are therefore requested to instruct the branches to regularly check the portal and clear the pendency as monitoring is being done by DFS, MoF on daily basis.

**Action: All Banks**

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| **Item No. 21** | **MERA GHAR MERE NAAM/SVAMITVA Scheme** |

SVAMITVA Scheme is a flagship Scheme of Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Govt of India that aims at creation of computerized Record of Right and Creation of GIS Maps of Abadi Deh areas of villages. Under this scheme, generation of Property Cards have already been started in the Gurdaspur District.

LDM, Gurdaspur shared the issue regarding Charge Creation which is still pending and informed that regular meetings are being held with Revenue Authorities to resolve the same.

Secretary Finance, Institutional Finance & Banking, GoP advised to evaluate and simplify the issue at the earliest.

**Action: Revenue Dept.**

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| **Item No. 22** | **Opening of RSETIs in Uncovered Potential Districts of Punjab State** |

Sh. Charanjit Singh, State Director Punjab for RSETIs informed that at present 17 RSETIs are working against the 23 districts. Now Ministry of Rural Development, Govt of India has desired to open RSETIs in all the uncovered potential Districts of Punjab State.

Accordingly, it has been decided to open Five new RSETIs in the uncovered Potential Districts namely Gurdaspur, Pathankot, Tarn Taran Sahib, Sahib Bhagat Singh Nagar and Fazilka.  The permission to open RSETI in Gurdaspur district has already been received.

State Director Punjab for RSETIs requested the house for approval of opening of RSETIs in remaining four districts so that proposal can be sent to MORD to get administrative approval as it is desired that 50%(at least 3) RSETIs should be opened before March 2024 and remaining by Sept 24.

Apprising the house about the progress, he said that out of 1,27,157 trained candidates in Punjab, 85,093 have set up their own business which comes out to be 67% against the national achievement of 71%.

So, he impressed upon all member banks to clear the pendency of more than 3000 applications at the earliest.

**Action: All Banks**

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| **Item No. 23** | **National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM)-Implementation in the State of Punjab** |

During the Q.E. Sept 2023, 5151 SHGs have been formed and the cumulative number is 46903. Banks have sanctioned and disbursed 5727 Loan Applications up to Q.E September 2023 and have made good progress.

AGM, SLBC informed that a meeting to discuss & resolve the issues faced was held recently with NRLM Dept. which was attended by all member banks.

The representative from NRLM Dept. said that the target for SHGs formation was 19000 and all the applications were submitted to the banks by 30.09.2023. Out of which around 7000 applications have been disbursed. The major pendency is with Banks SBI, PSCB, PGB, PNB and P&SB and districts Tarn Taran, Muktsar Sahib & Ferozpur.

The concerned banks and LDMs were requested to dispose of the pending applications without any further delay.

LDM, Mohali informed that Pb. State Coop. Bank have not sanctioned any application due to pending MOU. The authorities were requested to kindly intervene to resolve the issue so that sanctioning can be done by the bank as it impacts the overall performance of the district.

**Action: Concerned Banks, LDMs & PSCB**

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| **Item No. 24** | **Discontinuation of Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme (ECLGS) & Credit Guarantee Scheme for Subordinate Debt (CGSSD) for Stressed MSMEs as SLBC Agenda Items** |

The Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme (ECLGS) & Credit Guarantee Scheme for Subordinate Debt (CGSSD) for Stressed MSMEs were applicable till 30.06.2023 & 31.03.2023 respectively.

As the schemes have not been extended further by Govt. of India, the House approved discontinuation of same as SLBC Agenda Items.

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| **Table Agenda Item No. 1** | **“100 Days 100 Pays” Campaign to settle Unclaimed Deposits** |

 The Department of Financial Services, Govt. of Punjab has shared Bank wise list of 1411 State Govt. Depositor accounts under Reserve Bank of India - '100 Days 100 Pays' Campaign where in Account numbers are available, however various other details like Name and Designation of authorised signatories, last KYC Updation date, Branch Code, Complete Address of Govt. Office as per bank's record etc. are not available.

**AGM, SLBC** requested the concerned banks to check the accounts, complete the KYC details and get these accounts activated at the earliest

 Referring to the meeting attended in Reserve Bank of India regarding the issue**, Sh. Kalyan Kumar, Chairman SLBC** said that the matter is of utmost priority. There are 3 types of accounts i.e. Govt., Institutional and Retail accounts and the problem is being faced by banks in tracing the Govt. accounts.

Informing about the practice adopted by Punjab National Bank, he said that letters were written to the Chief Secretaries of all states as a result of which 60% accounts were reinstituted. Thus, all the banks need to formulate strategies to resolve the issue by December 2023.

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| **Table Agenda Item No.2** | **Payment of Pensions to Punjab Government Pensioners Through Public Sector Banks** |

It has come to the notice that after the receipt of pension payment order by Bank (Pension disbursing bank) banks are taking more than 100 days to start the first pension. Such, unwarranted delay in releasing the pensions by banks leads to unnecessary litigation against the State Government and unbearable financial loss to the state exchequer on account of interest for delayed period.

As per extant instructions of Treasury Department of State of Punjab issued vide letter no. TA(DDI/D-2)/2021/6043 dated 09/08/2021 wherein banks shall ensure payment of pension for a month not earlier than first working day of succeeding month to which pension relates. Despite these instructions, new pensioners are not getting their pensions on time and usually getting first pension after unusual delay of almost 100 days as cited above, which is unjustifiable.

**Sh. Sanjeev Aggarwal, Dy. Director,** Institutional Finance & Banking asked the banks to sensitize the field functionaries for avoiding unnecessary delay and disburse the pensions within same month on receipt of PPO.

**Convener SLBC** requested the banks to sensitively deal with issue, improve their service and attend to the pensioners on priority.

### Thereafter, the meeting ended with Vote of thanks by Sh. Abhishek Kumar, DGM, State Bank of India.

**Annexure - I**

**List of Participants**

**166th Meeting of SLBC (Punjab)**

**Held on 23.11.2023 at 11.00 A.M**

 ***held at Hotel Mountview Chandigarh***

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| **S. No.** | **Name of participant****(Shri/Smt)** | **Designation/Bank/Department** |
| 1 | Kalyan Kumar | Executive Director, PNB & Chairman-SLBC |
| 2 | Diprava Lakra, IAS | Secretary Finance, Institutional Finance & Banking, Punjab |
| 3 | D P S Kharbanda | IAS, CEO Invest Punjab & Administrative Secretary and Director Industries & Commerce, Punjab |
| 4 | Yaswant Raj Acharya | Deputy General Manager, Reserve Bank of India |
| 5 | Raghunath B | Chief General Manager, NABARD |
|  | **Reserve Bank of India**  |
| 6 | Vikram Dhanda, AGM | RBI  |
|  | **Punjab National Bank** |  |
| 7 | Puskar Tarai, GM | Punjab National Bank |
| 8 | Akhil Mangal, AGM | Punjab National Bank |
| 9 | Sumant Kumar, Chief Manager | Punjab National Bank |
| 10 | Kamal Taneja, Senior Manager | Punjab National Bank |
| 11 | Shaveta, Manager | Punjab National Bank |
| 12 | Ishan Mehra, Dy. Manager | Punjab National Bank |
|  | **State Government Departments/Boards/Corporations(Shri/Madam)** |
| 13 | Sanjeev Aggarwal, Deputy Director | Department of Institutional Finance & Banking |
| 14 | Kamal Goyal | Department of Institutional Finance & Banking |
| 15 | Anil Khanna, AGM | NABARD |
| 16 | Rajneesh Tuli, SLPM | Punjab Agro |
| 17 | Eisha Jassal, Head(FP) | Punjab Agro |
| 18 | Sanjeev Mahajan, Director | UIDAI |
| 19 | Ashutosh Kaushik, Deputy Director | UIDAI |
| 20 | Dr. Rajesh Kumar Aggarwal | RBI Chair |
| 21 | Dr. Harinder Singh | Animal Husbandry(Punjab) |
| 22 | Narender Singh, Assistant Director | KVIC |
| 23 | Sunita Thakur, Project Manager, PLRS | Revenue Department |
| 24 | Rashu Mehndiratta, SFO | Department of Fisheries(Punjab) |
| 25 | Manpreet Kaur, Officer | Department of Fisheries(Punjab) |
| 26 | Baldeep Singh, Technical Director | Local Govt. Deptt./SUDA/NULM |
| 27 | Gurjit Singh Bal, Assistant Director | Horticulture Department |
| 28 | Ravdeep Kaur, Team Lead | AIF |
| 29 | Raman Sharma, Director | Rural Development |
| 30 | Kashmir Singh, Joint Director | Dairy Deptt |
| 31 | Ravinder Garg,Member | KVIB |
| 32 | T H R Samad, DGM | SIDBI |
| 33 | Vikas Sirohi | NPCI |
| 34 | Sharanjit Singh, Assistant Manager | Punjab Financial Corporation |
| 35 | Charanjit Singh, State Director | RSETI |
|  | **Banks (Shri/Madam)** |  |
| 36 | Abhishek Sharma, DGM | STATE BANK OF INDIA |
| 37 | Parveen Nagpal, AGM | STATE BANK OF INDIA |
| 38 | Soran Singh, AGM | BANK OF BARODA |
| 39 | Brajesh Kumar Singh, DGM | BANK OF INDIA |
| 40 | S K Trivedi, Zonal Manager | BANK OF MAHARASHTRA |
| 41 | Dalbir Singh Grover, DGM | CANARA BANK |
| 42 | Ghanshyam Parmar, DGM | UCO BANK |
| 43 | Karamjit Singh, DGM | PUNJAB & SIND BANK |
| 44 | Rupali Singh, DGM | INDIAN BANK |
| 45 | Suryanarayana Murthy R N, AGM | INDIAN OVERSEAS BANK |
| 46 | M S Gupta, AGM | CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA |
| 47 | Sunil Ahuja , DGM | UNION BANK OF INDIA |
| 48 | Arvinder Pal Singh, GM | PB. STATE COOPERATIVE BANK |
| 49 | Shekhar Kumar Jha, GM | PB. GRAMIN BANK |
| 50 | Harvinder Kapoor, Regional Head GSP | HDFC BANK |
| 51 | Prabhjeet Singh Purba , Zonal Coordinator | ICICI BANK |
| 52 | Charanjit Singh Parmar ,SVP | AXIS BANK |
| 53 | Charu Bakhshi, Nodal Officer | AXIS BANK |
| 54 | Prashant Sethi, DGM | IDBI BANK |
| 55 | Gagandeep Kaur Walia,DVP  | INDUSIND BANK |
| 56 | Sunny Dahuja, Cluster Head | FEDERAL BANK |
| 57 | Varun Sharma, AVP | KOTAK MAHINDRA BANK |
| 58 | Rahul Pathak, AVP | BANDHAN BANK |
| 59 | Vishal Singla , SVP | AU SMALL FINANCE BANK |
| 60 | Mukesh Chand, DVP | CAPITAL SMALL FINANCE BANK |
| 61 | Iftikhar Abdullah Sofi, AGM | J & K Bank |
| 62 | Tajeshwar Bathla, VP | YES BANK |
| 63 | Mohit Sharma, Sr. Manager | IPPB |
|  | **Lead District Manager(Shri/Madam)** |
| 64 | Umang Maini | Amritsar |
| 65 | Ambuj Kumar | Barnala  |
| 66 | Manju Galhotra | Bathinda |
| 67 | Jaspreet Singh | Faridkot |
| 68 | Ram Lal | Fatehgarh Sahib  |
| 69 | Manish Kumar | Fazilka  |
| 70 | Kewal Kishan | Gurdaspur  |
| 71 | Rajesh Joshi | Hoshiarpur  |
|  72 | Geeta Mehta | Ferozpur |
| 73 | Sarabjit Singh  | Ludhiana  |
| 74 | Vijay Gupta | Mansa  |
| 75 | Chiranjiv Singh | Moga |
| 76 | Gurcharan Singh | Sri Muktsar Sahib |
| 77 | Lalit Kumar Mehra | Pathankot |
| 78 | Davinder Kumar | Patiala |
| 79 | Manish Tripathi | Rupnagar |
| 80 | M K Bhardwaj | SAS Nagar |
| 81 | Harmesh Lal | SBS Nagar |
| 82 | Nirmal Roy  | Tarn Taran  |
| 83 | Parvinder Kumar Chopra  | Malerkotla |
| 84 | Sanjeev Aggarwal | Sangrur |
| 85 | M S Moti | Jalandhar |
| 86 | Amanpreet Singh | Kapurthala |