**DRAFT MINUTES OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH STATE LEVEL BANKERS’ COMMITTEE MEETING WITH “SPECIAL FOCUS ON FINANCIAL INCLUSION AND FINANCIAL LITERACY” FOR COMBINED QUARTERS ENDED MAR’21 & JUN’21,** **HELD ON 12.10.2021 IN THE CONFERENCE HALL OF THE CHIEF SECRETARY, GOVT. OF ARUANACHAL PRADESH CIVIL SECRETARIAT, ITANAGAR, THOURGH VIDEO CONFERENCE.**

*The details on progress and assessment of Financial Inclusion and Financial Literacy under National Strategy of Financial Inclusion (NSFI) for the State of Arunachal Pradesh are placed in “****Annexure-I”.***

*The list of participants present in the meeting is placed in “****Annexure-II”***

The State Level Bankers' Committee Meeting for the State of Arunachal Pradesh with special focus on Financial Inclusion and Financial Literacy for the combined quarters ended March, 2021 and June, 2021 was held under the Chairmanship of Shri Naresh Kumar, IAS, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh and Co-Chairmanship of Shri Ramesh R S, Chief General Manager, State Bank of India, North Eastern Circle, Local Head Office, Guwahati, in the Conference Hall of the Chief Secretary, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh Civil Secretariat, Itanagar, through interactive Video Conference.

The Meeting was attended by the senior officials of RBI, NABARD, SIDBI, member Banks, line departments of Government of Arunachal Pradesh and various other agencies. The following notable dignitaries also attended the meeting:

(1)Dr. Sharat Chauhan, IAS, Principal Secretary Finance, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh

(2) Smt. Y.W. Ringu, IAS, Secretary Finance, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh

1. Shri Hage Tari, IOFS, Secretary Industry, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh
2. Shri V.V.S Kharayat, Dy. Secretary, DFS, via Video Conference
3. Shri Partho Saha, General Manager, NABARD
4. Shri Siladitya Biswas, Dy. General Manager, Reserve Bank of India, Guwahati via Video Conference

The meeting started with a welcome speech by Shri Kamalesh Singh, Dy. General Manager (B&O), SBI, AO, Dibrugarh. While welcoming, the Chief Secretary, Chief General Manager, SBI, LHO, Guwahati, all the Commissioners, Secretaries and dignitaries of the State Govt. and also dignitaries from DFS, RBI, NABARD and all officials of Banks operating in the State, Shri Singh briefly highlighted the achievements of the Banks in the State in terms of growth in deposits and Advances as well as achievements under specific Schemes of DDUSY, Street vendors, District digitisation of Papumpare district etc. He also informed the preparedness level of the Banks for successful implementation of the two Scheme specific Atma Nirbhar Schemes of Krishi and Bagwani Yojana for which MOU has been executed on 03.09.2021 with the State Government. With the economy of the State being predominantly agrarian and the hitherto neglected farm sector offering huge potential, these two Schemes would lead economic prosperity of the State and serve as an example to other States, particularly in North Eastern States.

Shri Ramesh R S, Chief General Manager, State Bank of India, LHO Guwahati in his keynote address, extended his warm greetings to Shri Naresh Kumar, IAS, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, the Officials of DFS, RBI, NABARD, the senior Government officials and the representatives of the Banks and the other stakeholders. He underlined the significance of the SLBC meeting in view of the leading role it had to play in revival of the economic activity in the State of Arunachal Pradesh despite the challenges posed by the 2nd wave of COVID-19 pandemic. He also highlighted the performance of banks in respect of different parameters like CD Ratio, Priority Sector Advances, Annual Credit Plan and Social Security Schemes. To improve CD ratio of the State, he suggested to focus on credit flow in 20 credit deficient districts of Arunachal Pradesh identified by RBI. He also requested all the Banks to focus on achieving 100% saturation of Jan Suraksha Schemes within the stipulated Campaign Period of 02.10.2021 to 30.09.2022 as directed by DFS.

While commenting on the Prime Ministers Mudra Yojana, the CGM, SBI observed that IOB, Axis Bank, Bandhan Bank, IndusInd Bank, NESFB, Yes Bank, HDFC Bank, ICICI Bank & APSCAB have not sanctioned any loan under the Scheme during the FY2021-22. He advised the 9 Banks to sanction loans under PMMY.

**(Action point: Concerned Banks)**

Shri Naresh Kumar, IAS, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh in his address acknowledged the contributions made by the Banks during the Covid pandemic and urged all the Banks to increase lending in the priority sector for overall improvement in the CD Ratio.

This was followed by presentation of Agenda items by Shri D.K Mahato, Regional Manager, State Bank of India, Regional Business Office, Itanagar.

The minutes of the previous SLBC meeting were approved by the House and the Action Taken Report was put up before the House for discussion and observations were made as under:

Dr. Sharat Chauhan, Principal Secretary Finance, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh advised Banks to open Branches as directed by the State level Bankers Committee and as per their commitment i.e. Canara Bank committed to open Branch at Chayangtajo and Indian Bank committed to open Branch at Seppa, both in East Kameng district. He advised both the Banks to open Branches as per their commitment at the earliest.

**(Action point: Canara bank & Indian Bank)**

State Bank of India was also advised to open a Branch at Pongchau in Longding district.

**(Action point: SBI)**

ICICI Bank assured that new Branches would be opened in Walong (Anjaw district), Roing and Tezu. Walong Branch would be opened by December 2021

**(Action point: ICICI Bank)**

AXIS Bank reported that new Branches would be opened at Doimukh, Ziro and Seppa.

**(Action point: AXIS Bank)**

The Chief Secretary advised the Secretary Finance, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, to constitute a committee to ensure prioritisation for opening of Bank branches in unbanked blocks/areas.

**(Action point: Govt. & SLBC)**

**CD RATIO:**

The Chairman expressed his displeasure in the low CD ratio of the State. He advised the Banks to adopt a practical strategy to increase the same.

The General Manager of NABARD, Shri Partho Saha stated that except few banks, majority of the Banks are maintaining CD ratio below 30%. He suggested for separate roadmap to be prepared by SLBC for overall improvement of CD Ratio of the State.

(**Action points: SLBC & Banks having CD Ratio below 30%)**

All Banks with CD ratio of 20% shall be allowed for Government transactions of any kind as many CSS Schemes are on boarded indifferent Banks under SNA system as per the decision of Head of Departments. This has the approval of Chairman SLBC.

However, all Banks should maintain the CD ratio to the maximum limit.

**REVIEW OF CREDIT DISBURSEMENT OF BANKs:**

Shri Hage Tari, Secretary Industry, Government of Arunachal Pradesh, in his observation remarked that instances of under financing in PMEGP was observed in many cases.

He also mentioned that most of the Banks, usually, attend to and disposed off most of the loans under PMEGP in the last quarter of the financial year resulting in rejection of many loan applications as the beneficiaries could not produce the required documents in time or unable to meet the terms and conditions on account of paucity of time. He suggested that Banks should share the terms and conditions to the sponsoring agencies i.e. KVIC, KVIB and DIC so that the same be shared to the beneficiaries in time.

The Chief Secretary advised the Secretary Industry to form a team for tracking all the applications for all category of loans with assistance from the National Institute of Smart Governance

**(Action point: Secretary, Industry & SLBC)**

**ACP & PRIORITY SECTOR ADVANCES:**

The Chairman expressed his displeasure in the below par performance in ACP achievement. He urged all the non performing banks under Priority Sector Lending to improve their lending under Priority Sector by reaching to the rural population of the State.

The General Manager of NABARD, Shri Partho Saha advised that the Bank wise and District wise figures under Agriculture Advance required thorough scrutiny by LDMs before entering in SLBC Portal.

**(Action Point: All Banks)**

The Chairman urged all the Banks for special focus on financing in the three important sector i.e. Oil (Palm Oil), Kiwi and Honey. A roadmap in this regard to be prepared for development of these sectors in the state of Arunachal Pradesh.

**(Action Point: All Banks and Govt. Department)**

**FINANCIAL INCLUSION AND FINANCIAL LITERACY:**

The Principal Secretary Finance, reiterated the earlier instructions of the Government to hold a minimum of 3 Financial awareness camps under the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav in all the districts within 21.10.2021 by all the Banks and submit the report by 25.10.2021.

**(Action point: All Banks & SLBC)**

CGM, SBI, informed the house that hon’ble Prime Minister in his Independence Day speech announced for 100% saturation in case of Jan Suraksha Schemes (JSS) viz. Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY), Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY) and Atal Pension Yojana (APY). He requested the Banks to initiate necessary steps to achieve **100% saturation of Jan Surakha Schemes** through digital campaign and periodic physical camps during the campaign period from **02.10.2021 to 30.09.2022.**

**(Action point: All Banks)**

**100% DIGITISATION:**

The house approved **Lohit district** identified by SLBC as the 2nd district for 100% digitisation. All Banks operating in Lohit district are, therefore, required to focus on achieving the goal of 100% digitisation in the district.

The Chairman asked for adding another 3 districts (Namsai, East Siang and Lower Siang) to the initiative of 100% digitisation district to which DGM, RBI said to start with Lohit district can be considered for this phase. Other 3 districts can be taken up in the next phase.

(**Action point**: **All Banks operating in Lohit District**)

**POSITION OF NPAs, CERTIFICATE CASES AND RECOVERY OF NPAs:**

While discussion on control and recovery of bad loans, the Chairman expressed his concerns over the increasing NPAs. It has been decided that the Bakijai Cases will be heard on every 3rd Monday of the Month.

**(Action Point: All Banks and All DCs)**

**ACP targets and Annual targets in Govt. Sponsored Schemes under NULM, NRLM, PMEGP, PM SVANidhi for FY 2021-22:**

All annual targets proposed as in the March 2021 Booklet is approved by the House.

**OTHER AGENDA ITEMs WITH THE PERMISSON OF THE CHAIR:**

Shri Kamlesh Kumar Singh, DGM, B&O, requested the Government to put a structure for the Atma Nirbhar Bagwani Yojana and Atma Nirbhar Krishi Yojana in place for timely sanction of loans by Banks under the Schemes.

**(Action point: Govt.)**

On restriction of maintaining Government deposit accounts, the Principal Secretary stated that review in this regard would be done every six months from now onwards and the benchmark of CD ratio would be raised from 20% to 25%.

**(Action point: Related Govt. Dept. & SLBC)**

The Chief Secretary in addition to what has been mentioned above also observed that

1. A brief containing all the loan Schemes and products including relevant websites should be prepared. After proper advertisement, comprehensive credit camps to be held, preferably on 13.11.2021 in 6 places. Details to be worked out.

**(Action point: Related Govt. Dept., SLBC & Banks)**

1. Mobile ATM should start operating at the earliest.
2. Loan targets under various schemes including financing of SHGs sponsored by the Arunachal State Rural Livelihood Mission should be allotted to all Banks

**(Action point: ArSRLM and SLBC)**

1. Banks need to provide guidance and handholding support to young entrepreneurs of the State particularly in preparation of DPRs.

**(Action point: SLBC & Banks)**

Shri Siladitya Biswas, Dy. General Manager, Reserve Bank of India, Guwahati informed the House that a proposal for opening its Office in Itanagar had been submitted to the Central office of Reserve Bank of India.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks by Shri Susanta Kumar Sahoo, DGM, SLBC.

**Annexure-I**

**FINANCIAL INCLUSION AND FINANCIAL LITERACY – PROGRESS AND ASSESSMENT UNDER NATIONAL STRATEGY OF FINANCIAL INCLUSION (NSFI)**

**I. Quantitative Parameters (Nos. in absolute figures)**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **As on Mar’19** | **As on Mar’20** | **As on Mar’21** |
| **i. Number of Bank Branches per One Lakh Population** | 15 | 16 | 16 |
| **ii. Number of BC Outlets per One Lakh Population** | 12 | 30 | 43 |
| **iii. Number of ATMs per One Lakh Population** | 19 | 19 | 22 |
| **iv. Number of PMJDY Accounts per One Lakh Population** | 47711 | 52379 | 58594 |
| **PMJDY No.** | 265520 | 284743 | 360254 |
| **PMJJBY No.** | 36182 | 42228 | 76801 |
| **PMSBY No.** | 59626 | 72750 | 145967 |
| **APY No.** | 5734 | 6356 | 13568 |

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| **Cumulative position of Social Security Schemes as on 30th June, 2021**  **(in actual nos.)** | | | | |
| All Banks in Arunachal Pradesh | **PMJDY** | **PMJJBY** | **PMSBY** | **APY** |
| As on 31.12.2019 | 291167 | 46423 | 52162 | 5626 |
| As on 31.03.2020 | 284743 | 42228 | 72750 | 6356 |
| As on 31.03.2021 | 360254 | 76801 | 145967 | 13568 |
| As on 30.06.2021 | 361157 | 85979 | 176144 | 14485 |

**STATUS OF OPENING OF BANKING OUTLETS IN UNBANKED VILLAGES, CBS-ENABLED BANKING OUTLETS AT THE UNBANKED RURAL CENTRES (URCS)**

1. The FI Progress in opening of banking outlets in villages with less than 2000 population as on 30th June, 2021: Out of 1569 villages, all the allotted villages are covered except 50 villages by the banks either with bank branches, BC/CSPs or IPPB.
2. Unbanked Rural Centres (URCs) with population between 2000 to 5000: Out of 11 unbanked villages received from RBI, all the villages have been covered by the banks either with bank branches, BC/CSPs or IPPB.
3. Unbanked Rural Centres (URCs) with population more than 5000: The State had 1 such village which have been covered by the bank with bank branches.

In regard to DFS Unbanked villages, out of 1927 uncovered villages identified by DFS, 1877 unbanked villages are already covered either by Branch/CSPs/IPPB by the allotted Banks. The remaining 50 villages are yet to be covered by banks. Details of remaining unbanked villages are as under:

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| **SL No** | **Allotted Banks** | **No. of uncovered villages as on 30.09.2019** | **No of uncovered villages as on 31.03.2020** | **No. of uncovered villages at present as on 30.09.2021** |
| 1 | SBI | 116 | 50 | 8 |
| 2 | APRB | 140 | 109 | 0 |
| 3 | CBI | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | CANARA | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5 | APSCAB | 126 | 92 | 37 |
| 6 | UNION BANK | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 7 | BOB | 32 | 32 | 0 |
| 8 | BOI | 19 | 6 | 0 |
| 9 | ICICI | 6 | 6 | 5 |
| 10 | IPPB | 28 | 28 | 0 |
| **TOTAL** | | **470** | **323** | **50** |

**CREDIT INDICATORS:**

**(O/S Amounts in Rs. Crores)**

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| **Parameters** | **As on Mar'19** | | **As on Mar'20** | | **As on Mar'21** | |
| **No.** | **O/S Amt.** | **No.** | **O/S Amt.** | **No.** | **O/S Amt.** |
| **KCC** | 11661 | 107.69 | 12004 | 91.56 | 14451 | 101.23 |
| **SHG** | 135 | 2.82 | 317 | 3.58 | 818 | 6.16 |
| **JLG** | 6721 | 16.31 | 7272 | 20.75 | 5184 | 11.80 |

**CD RATIO (IN %) :-**

**(STATE, ASPIRATIONAL DISTRICTS AND DISTRICTS HAVING CD RATIO LESS THAN 40% CONSECUTIVELY FOR LAST THREE FINANCIAL YEAR – 2019, 2020 AND 2021)**

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| **State** | **Sl No.** | **Dist. Name** | **As on Mar'19** | **As on Mar'20** | **As on Mar'21** |
| **Arunachal Pradesh** | | | 30.03 | 32.49 | 32.33 |
| **Aspirational District** | 1 | Namsai | 23.97 | 28.35 | 30.16 |
| **Districts with CD Ratio < 40%** | 1 | Anjaw | 16.44 | 25.61 | 17.80 |
| 2 | Changlang | 17.89 | 19.62 | 19.55 |
| 3 | DibangValley | 18.41 | 16.90 | 19.25 |
| 4 | EastSiang | 26.22 | 32.55 | 33.23 |
| 5 | Lohit | 35.46 | 25.36 | 30.02 |
| 6 | Lower Dibang Valley | 19.72 | 19.02 | 19.67 |
| 7 | Namsai | 23.97 | 28.35 | 30.16 |
| 8 | Papum Pare | 35.28 | 39.13 | 37.42 |
| 9 | Siang | 9.98 | 12.03 | 17.03 |
| 10 | Tawang | 9.40 | 8.93 | 9.06 |
| 11 | Tirap | 26.97 | 31.92 | 33.77 |
| 12 | Upper Siang | 19.35 | 17.33 | 15.39 |
| 13 | West Kameng | 17.86 | 20.89 | 22.27 |
| 14 | West Siang | 29.79 | 31.48 | 31.00 |

**II. Qualitative Parameters**

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| **Financial Literacy Indicators** | **During the FY**  **(2018-19)** | **During the FY (2019-20)** | **During the FY (2020-21)** |
| **i. Number of Financial Literacy Centres (FLCs)** | 23 | 23 | 25 |
| **ii. Number of Financial Literacy Camps conducted by FLCs** | 142 | 178 | 98 |

26 Financial Literacy Camps have been conducted during the first quarter of FY(2021-22) in Arunachal Pradesh.

**PROGRESS IN PILOT PROJECT ON EXPANDING AND DEEPENING OF DIGITAL PAYMENTS UNDERTAKEN IN THE IDENTIFIED DISTRICT FOR THE STATE OF ARUANACHAL PRADESH:**

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| **Expanding and Deepening of Digital Payments Ecosystem for 100% Digitisation** | | | | | | |
| **District: Papumpare (Arunachal Pradesh)** | | | | | | |
| **As at the end of:** | **Total No. of Operative SB Accounts** | **Total No. of Operative SB Accounts covered with at least one of the facilities - Debit/ RuPay cards/ Net Banking/ Mobile Banking/ UPI/ USSD** | **% of such Accounts out of total Operative Savings Accounts** | **Total No. of Operative Current Accounts** | **Total No. of Operative Current Accounts covered with at least one of facilities - Net Banking/ POS/ QR etc.** | **% of such Accounts out of total Operative Current Accounts** |
| **Mar'21** | 279471 | 275398 | 98.54 | 14809 | 14330 | 96.77 |
| **Aug'21** | 286981 | 283865 | 98.91 | 15811 | 15385 | 97.31 |

**Annexure-II**

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| **LIST OF PARTICIPANTS IN ARUNACHAL PRADESH SLBC MEETING FOR THE COMBINED MAR'21 AND JUN'21 QUARTERS, HELD ON 12.10.2021  VENUE: CONFERENCE HALL OF THE CHIEF SECRETARY, GOVT. OF ARUANACHAL PRADESH CIVIL SECRETARIAT, ITANAGAR** | | | | |
| **(A) RBI, NABARD etc.:** | | | | |
| **Sl No.** | **Organisation** | **Representative** | **Designation** | **Mode of Participation** |
| 1 | RBI | Shri Siladitya Biswas | Dy. General Manager | VC Mode |
| 2 | NABARD | Shri Partho Saha | General Manager | Meeting Venue |
| 3 | KVIC | Shri Amandeep Singh | Director | Meeting venue |
| 4 | NABARD | Shri Talung Taboh | Asst. Manager | Meeting venue |
| **(B) State & Central Govt. Officials:** | | | | |
| **Sl No.** | **Organisation** | **Representative** | **Designation** | **Mode of Participation** |
| 1 | State Govt. | Shri Naresh Kumar, IAS | Chief Secretary | Meeting venue |
| 2 | State Govt. | Dr Sharat Chauhan, IAS | Pr. Secy. Finance | Meeting venue |
| 3 | State Govt. | Smt YW Ringu, IAS | Secretary Finance | Meeting venue |
| 4 | State Govt. | Shri Hage Tari, IOFS | Secretary Industry | Meeting venue |
| 5 | Central Govt. | Shri VVS Kharayat | Dy. Secretary, DFS | VC mode |
| 6 | State Govt. | Shri Takhe Kani | Dy. Secretary | Meeting venue |
| 7 | State Govt. | Shri S Dakpa | Research Officer | Meeting Venue |
| 8 | State Govt. | Shri Kago Dui | SRA | Meeting venue |
| 9 | State Govt. | Shri Tokman Pertin | Offficer in CS Ofice | Meeting Venue |
| 10 | ArSRLM |  | CO&SMD | VC mode |
| 11 | BSNL |  | GM | VC mode |
| **(C) Member Banks:** | | | | |
| **Sl No.** | **Organisation** | **Representative** | **Designation** | **Mode of Participation** |
| 1 | APSCAB | Shri Tsering Thongdok | MD | Meeting venue |
| 2 | APRB | Shri Joyram Pait | General Manager | Meeting venue |
| 3 | AXIS Bank | Shri Toko Tada | Branch Head, Doimukh | Meeting venue |
| 4 | AXIS Bank | Shri Bikash Mazumdar | Branch Head itanagar | Meeting venue |
| 5 | HDFC | Shri Sekhar Prasad | BM, Naharlagun | Meeting venue |
| 6 | ICICI Bank | Shri Prasanta Neog | BM, Naharlagun | Meeting venue |
| 7 | Canara Bank | Smt N Nipi | Manager, Itanagar | Meeting venue |
| 8 | PNB | Shri LR Sanga | CM, Naharlagun Br | Meeting venue |
| 9 | BOB | Shri Dharmendra Kumar | CM, Naharlagun Br | Meeting venue |
| 10 | BOB | Shri VK Das | CM, Itanagar Br | Meeting venue |
| 11 | Indian Bank | Shri Mrinal Das | CM, Itanagar Br | Meeting venue |
| 12 | APRB | Shri Toto Kombo | Manager | Meeting venue |
| 13 | YES Bank | Shri Ravi Roy | Manager | VC mode |
| 14 | CBI | Shri Ravi Kant | BM | VC mode |
| 15 | Union Bank | Shri Pavei Ramai | BM | VC mode |
| 16 | IDBI | Ms Anjalin Tayeng | BM | VC mode |
| 17 | UCO | Shri Prashant Singh | CM, Itanagar Br | VC mode |
| 18 | BOI | Shri Raj Sekhar Deb | CM, Itanagar | VC mode |
| 19 | NESFB | Shri | BM, Bhage Tinali | VC mode |
| 20 | IOB | Shri Sothing Keishing | BM Naharlagun | VC mode |
| 21 | P&SB | Shri Ng Mate | BM, Itanagr | VC mode |
| **D) Convenor Bank:** | | | | |
| **Sl No.** | **Organisation** | **Representative** | **Designation** | **Mode of Participation** |
| 1 | SBI | Shri Ramesh R S | CGM, SBI, North East Circle | VC mode |
| 2 | SBI | Shri Kamlesh Kumar Singh | DGM(B&O) | Meeting venue |
| 3 | SBI | Shri Susanta Kumar Sahoo | DGM (SLBC) | VC mode |
| 4 | SBI | Shri DK Mahato | RM, Itanagar | Meeting venue |
| 5 | SBI | Shri Bikas Ray | AGM (SLBC) | VC mode |
| 6 | SBI | Shri S. Ranjit Singh | SLBC State Co-Ordinator | Meeting venue |
| 7 | SBI | Shri Jaykanta Pator | LDM | VC mode |
| 8 | SBI | Shri Asha Purna Singha | LDM | VC mode |