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All the Controlling Offices of Commercial Banks, RRBs,
Cooperative Banks, Lead District Managers, Line Departments,
LIC of India, General Insurance Companies & other Invitees

Dear Sir / Madam,

Sub: Proceedings of 153rd SLBC Meeting held on 26th April 2021

We are herewith forwarding the proceedings of 153rd SLBC Meeting held on 26th April 2021 at 03.00 PM through Video Conference from Room No.122, Vikasa Soudha, GoK, Bengaluru.

In this regard, SLBC requests all the stakeholders as under:

- Please go through the proceedings and take immediate action on the Action Points as indicated in the proceedings.
- The Action Taken Report on the Action points relevant to each of the stakeholder shall be submitted to SLBC so as to bring it to the notice of the House in the ensuing SLBC Meeting.
- In certain Action Points, timeframe is indicated in the proceedings. In such cases, the corresponding stakeholders shall take immediate action to comply with the same within the time limit mentioned therein.
- All stakeholders will agree that timely compliance of the decisions taken in the SLBC meetings will enable SLBC to place the Action Taken Report in the next SLBC meeting without carrying forward the same issues as pending items to the subsequent SLBC meetings once again.

We, therefore, request your personal intervention in submitting the Action Taken Report to SLBC on top priority.

Yours faithfully,


(B Chandrasekhara Rao)
Convenor - SLBC Karnataka &
General Manager – Canara Bank

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STATE LEVEL BANKERS' COMMITTEE KARNATAKA

PROCEEDINGS OF THE
153rd SLBC MEETING
HELD ON 26.04.2021

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**STATE LEVEL BANKERS' COMMITTEE: KARNATAKA
CONVENOR: CANARA BANK
MINUTES OF THE 153rd MEETING OF SLBC HELD ON 26.04.2021**

The 153rd SLBC meeting of the state of Karnataka was held on 26.04.2021 at 3.00 pm in conference hall, Vikasa Soudha, Bengaluru under the Chairmanship of Sri P Ravi Kumar, Chief Secretary, GoK and attended by Smt Vandita Sharma ACS & DC, GoK, Sri B Chandrasekhara Rao, Convenor-SLBC Karnataka and through video conference by Ms A Manimekhalai, ED:Canara Bank, Sri Jose J Kattoor, RD:RBI, Sri Niraj Kumar Verma, CGM:NABARAD, besides Principal Secretaries, Secretaries, Commissioners & Directors from Govt. departments / corporations and senior executives from RBI, NABARD and different banks.

Sri B Chandrasekhara Rao, Convenor in his opening remarks welcomed all the dignitaries, members, also the participants attending this meeting through Video Conference & invitees and thanked the Banking fraternity and State government in keeping the economy up and running during this period of uncertainty i.e., in first & Second wave of COVID Pandemic in the State. He also requested to continue the effort on providing banking service to customer in the present pandemic COVID situation.

Convenor request the Chief Secretary, GoK to launch Annual Credit Plan 2021-22 of Karnataka State and he thanked dignitaries for launching of ACP.

Convenor briefed the gist of Annual Credit Plan 2021-22 of Karnataka State.

The Annual Credit Plan 2021-22 was arrived at by taking into account the PLP 2021-22 & disbursement during 2020-21 up-to December 2020 and also by following the DFS guidelines on Ground Level Credit.

- Total outlay has been increased from Rs 3,65,556 crores of 20-21 to Rs 4,96,371 crores i.e. increase of 35.78 %.
- Total Priority Sector Credit works out to 2,92,391.90 Cr and the overall growth rate comes to 14.24 % over the previous year's targets of 2,55,940.
- Share of Agriculture Credit works out to ₹ 1,25,992.10 Cr., constituting 43.09 % of total priority Sector Credit.
- Share of Crop production Credit is ₹ 71,923.31 Cr forming 57.09 % of total Agriculture Credit.
- The share of MSME is ₹ 1,11,826.96 Cr., Education Loan is ₹ 5,969.86Cr., Housing Loan is ₹30,164.89 Cr., & Other sectors ₹ 9498.22Cr. Constituting 38.24%, 2.04 %, 10.31 %, 3.24 %, of total Priority sector, respectively.

Ms. A Manimekhalai, Executive Director, Canara Bank, in her key note address, mentioned told that Covid 19, which was down for some time, has back with new variant and country is on the verge of one more uncertainty and therefore everyone has to take all precautionary measures and continue to observe all covid health protocols.

She said that, SLBC has published advertisement on Covid health protocol to be followed as well as about revised bank timings in the leading news papers in the state. She requested GoK to take up vaccination for all above the age of 18 and to put in special dispensation for easy & early vaccination of bankers who couldn't get vaccinated earlier, to ensure better banking services.

She said that as the nascent economic recovery is being challenged by second wave of covid, there is an urgent on the part of all stake holders to put in concerted efforts for SURVIVAL & REVIVAL of economy.

She informed the house that GOI has come out with many schemes to rebuild our economy at the earliest with the help of State Government, RBI and NABARD thro' schemes like Agriculture Infrastructure fund, Coverage of 10,000 FPOs, Formalization of Micro food processing Enterprises (FME) with ODOP-One District One Product concept, PMSVanidhi and ECGLS -1, 2, 3.

She expressed her happiness to inform the house that banks in the state, despite various issues, have made considerable progress in extending relief measures, as a result of which state has been in forefront in case of KCC-Dairy and Mudra sanctions with 1st rank and secured 5th position in case of PMSVanidhi scheme by crossing a milestone of more than one lakh disbursements amounting Rs 105.15 crore.

She informed the house that member banks have already issued in-principle sanction letters / consent letters for 1,01,618 dwelling units for ongoing & upcoming projects and banks have disbursed 97,174 loans so far and requested member banks to take it forward further.

She informed that integration of FRUITS with banks was launched on 22.12.2020 at NABARD in two branches of Canara Bank –and now operational in all branches of Canara Bank in Chikkaballapur and requested all the members too to implement the same at the earliest.

Regarding 100% digitization in Raichur District, she informed the house that except Axis Bank all other Banks have achieved set target by 31.03.21.

With respect to Cyber Crime Reporting Frame Work as suggested by RBI, she appealed to all member banks to expedite the process and operationalize the same for the benefit of the common man. Organic farming, as suggested by RBI, needs to be encouraged and popularized by all stake holders in a big way for better health of all.

She informed that the state as a whole has achieved 80.62% of ACP under MSME, 77.97% under Agriculture and 102.27% under total credit at the end of the third quarter. There is a Y-o-Y growth of 13.84% in deposits, 9.70% in advances as on Dec 2020 and Y-O-Y on Growth in PSA is at 10.74 % and for agriculture it is at an impressive 14.13%.

Sri. P Ravikumar, Chief Secretary, GoK in his address

- Appreciated the work done by the by bankers during the last pandemic for having thrived through and given the best service.
- He expressed displeasure for banks having not done well on PMAY front and lagging performance under PMAY being the PM pet scheme, however the performance under non priority housing is quite good. Even performance of banks under priority education loan is also quite low. He requested banks to improve upon the performance on both the fronts.
- He has expressed happiness on the increase of 14.40 percent in the growth of State Annual credit plan of FY 2021-22 over the last financial year.
- He said that, agriculture sector has done exceedingly well with record production in the last financial year by contributing maximum to the country GDP despite the covid pandemic and expecting the same this year also.
- He urged banks to cover the left PM Kisan beneficiaries of 14.25 lakh under ambit of PMKisan and advised line departments viz., agriculture, horticulture, animal husbandry and fisheries departs to sensitize and hand hold the farmers to get KCC from formal banking system.
- He informed that Govt. of India has accepted FRUITS software as one of best software to handle farmers' data base with land records to supervise performance of various beneficiary-oriented schemes including insurance and subsidies and requested SLBC and bankers to integrate their bank data base to get the benefit from the portal.
- He requested banks to sanction all the pending application and disburse all the sanctioned loans under PMSVANidhi at the earliest to help the street vendors who have most affected during the pandemic.
- He requested all the banks for expeditious sanction and disbursement of PMAY loans immediately as sanctions are required for approving the projects of dwelling units under PMAY by the state Government.
- He requested for completion of digitization in the district Raichur at the earliest.
- He assured bankers to extend all the necessary support for better progress in viz., Raichur and Yadgir districts to bring them out of Aspiration District status.
- He expressed serious concern over sudden decline in the CD ratio of the state and requested all the banks to improve their CD ratio.

Smt. Vandita Sharma, ACS & DC, GoK, in her address mentioned that the purpose of SLBC is to ensure good coordination between Govt, and the Banks for better welfare of the state. If required support is not extended to the needy in time it amounts to failure of the system she added and urged to ensure to sanctions & disbursements of useful credit to the poorer section of the society who are the most vulnerable, especially in the times of pandemic.

She informed that weekly meetings were taken with Banks on PMAY scheme and advised Housing Secretary to make separate presentation on the scheme. She requested CS, GoK to make this to be the most important subject in this SLBC as the progress of Banks is dismal. Required progress has not been forthcoming after several meetings she noted.

With respect to PMSVANidhi, she noted that, as mentioned by CS though state secured 4th position which is comfortable status in BBMP is not satisfactory and has not improved, 12000 applications only are sanctioned out of 51000 applications submitted, that too after so many camps organized by BBMP. Beneficiaries have faced problems both at camps and branches on street vendors days. She emphasized the need for better cooperation for PMSVANidhi also.

Regarding other schemes under ATMANIRBAR like PMFME, she informed that only 2 applications were sanctioned out of 362 applications submitted and advised to improve expeditiously.

In respect of other schemes, she expressed happiness that MSME sector has achieved 80% but while reviewing the progress of major banks under PMEGP viz Canara Bank, eSyndicate Bank and SBI there are 4976,3916 & 6577 applications were forwarded and sanctioned around 940, 691 & 897 applications respectively. She mentioned that progress has been quite pathetic with certain major banks.

Regarding performance of banks under Govt schemes, she mentioned it is not upto the mark and requested Banks to change their mind sets as we have to serve most vulnerable section of the society and together, we can do it. While Govt is there to give the applications and subsidies, she added that, Bank's should extend timely credit.

She appreciated the performance under agriculture and requested to improve in case of Animal Husbandry – Dairy and Fisheries.

She urged all banks to improve performance under schemes like Ambedkar Development Corporation, Women & Child Development Corporation, Babu Jagjeevan Ram Leather Industry, Tanda Development Corporation, Bhovi Development Corporation, etc. as the progress is very poor.

Though performance under NRLM is very good, she observed that in case of NULM is very bad and not even achieved 30% of target.

She advised the banks to seek her support for recovery problems as she is the head of Recovery Committee and assured that department staff are willing to join bankers as a team to the beneficiaries to recover the amount.

Sri. Jose J Kattoor, RD, RBI RO, Bengaluru has informed that he had several meetings with banks as how to tide over from COVID 2nd wave and Phase 2.0 COVID spreading more intensively.

In his speech he mentioned as follows.

- 1) RBI extended one time restructure to MSME up to September 2021,
- 2) Bankers have not facing any problem under liquidity and banks have enough liquidity. RBI has provided 50000 Cr liquidity to NABARD: Rs.25000 Cr, SIDBI: Rs.15000 Cr and NHB: Rs.10000 Cr.
- 3) He requested all member banks to bringing borrowers under new MSME scheme.
- 4) He also informed to house that RBI has increased warehouse house loan limit from 50 Lakhs to 75Lakhs subject WDRA registration.
- 5) He requested to SLBC for fine-tuning in data updating and also advised to SLBC to issue letter to banks those who have not updated revamped data i.e. data from each individual banks CBS to SLBC portal.

And also, he has briefed about following points;

Conduct of study on CD ratio

During the 152nd SLBC meeting, the Chief Secretary, GoK, while reviewing the CD ratio of Karnataka, had expressed concern on the decline in CD ratio in Karnataka. He requested the Reserve Bank of India to undertake a study and compare the CD ratio movement with other states and also analyses the reasons for reduction in CD ratio by conducting data analysis.

CD ratio has declined from last 2 years across the country but stable in Karnataka.

SBI, Canara Bank and HDFC bank contribute 46% of banking business in Karnataka. Hence requested all three banks to concentration on improvement of CD ration in Karnataka state.

Setting up of Centre for Financial Literacy (CFL)

The CFL pilot project on financial literacy was initiated by RBI in 2017 in nine states across eighty blocks by six Non-Government Organizations (NGOs) in collaboration with eight sponsor banks for a three-year period, with funding support from Financial Inclusion Fund (FIF) of NABARD and respective banks. The NGOs, registered with DEA Fund Cell, DoR for the project were selected through a rigorous process of screening. The project was initiated with the objective of exploring innovative and participatory approaches to financial literacy.

One of the milestones of the National Strategy for Financial Inclusion (NSFI: 2019-2024) is to expand the reach of CFLs to every block in the country. Accordingly, it has been decided to scale up the outreach of CFLs to every block in the country, in a phased manner with one CFL serving three blocks.

Details of the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) as applicable to CFLs have also been communicated.

Presently, RBI has identified three adjoining blocks to be serviced by CFLs as part of the FL process. In our state, currently around 114 blocks have been identified for this purpose. Two NGOs, DHAN Foundation and MOTHER Ron have been identified as CFLs in the state.

RBI, Bengaluru has held preliminary discussions with these two NGOs during March 2021. They are in discussions with the sponsor banks, Canara Bank, State Bank of India and Bank of Baroda, for entering into Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). Respective banks may inform the developments in this regard.

Expansion and Deepening of Digital Payment ecosystem in the aspirational district – Raichur

The Sub-Committee meeting on Expanding and Deepening of Digital Payment Ecosystem was held on March 25, 2021 with all the stakeholders. The meeting was convened specifically to review the progress on ensuring 100% digitization of the district by March 2021. On a perusal of the statement submitted, it is observed that the overall achievement of the district is 99.95% and 98.80% coverage under Savings Bank accounts and business Current Accounts respectively. Confirmation from SLBC Sub-Committee Bank on 100% achievement is awaited.

Standardized system for direct flow of data from CBS of the member banks

Convener has informed that, all standard data templates and block have been provided to the member banks and LDCMs and informed to map block codes and district code as per LG Directory. While the time line for completion of the project was December 2020, we have been informed by SLBC, Karnataka that 22 member banks are yet to update the data in revamped portal ensuing direct flow of data from CBS of the member banks. Further, Sub-Committee on Financial Inclusion has advised banks to ensure that the integration is complete in all respects by June 2021. This is contrary to what is stipulated in para 3 of RBI Circular FIDD.CO.LBS.No.321/02.01.001/2020-21 dated October 9, 2020. SLBC, Karnataka is requested to clarify / update on the status of implementation.

Promotion of Organic Farming

In the 151st SLBC meeting, Agriculture department was requested to select a district for implementation of organic farming on pilot basis and approach DC office. The developments in the matter are awaited.

Progress in Registration under Trade Receivable Discounting System (TReDS)

SLBC, Karnataka was advised during the 61st Empowered committee meeting on MSME held on February 15, 2021 to take up with the State government line departments for compulsory registration of state government undertakings under TReDS platform. They have been informed by the Finance Department (Fiscal Reforms) that presently only two state government undertakings viz., Karnataka State Agricultural Produce Processing &

Export Corporation Ltd and Bangalore Electricity Supply Company Ltd have registered under TReDS as at the end of February 2021.

Finance Department may inform the further progress in the matter.

Monitoring the progress on Unidentified/ unrecognized clusters of MSME for facilitating availability of banking outlets and credit flow

On a review of the quarterly reports to monitor the progress of credit linkage to unidentified/ unrecognized MSME clusters at 18 districts identified in the state, credit linkage under Bengaluru Urban district has been completed. Further, out of the 6974 units yet to be credit linked, only four districts have reported credit linkage to 460 MSME units. We are yet to receive the progress from the remaining 14 districts.

The list of the 14 districts is being shared with SLBC with an advice to take up with the respective Lead Bank for reporting the progress.

National Strategy for Financial Education (NSFE)

As you are all aware that National Centre for Financial Education (NCFE) in consultation with all the Financial Sector Regulators, DFS and other Ministries of GoI and other stakeholders, have come up with the second NSFE document for the period 2020-25. Karnataka based banks were advised during the previous SLBC meeting (152nd) to come out with their plans/ strategy to take forward the vision of the documents.

Inclusion of financial education content in School syllabus / curriculum

They have been informed by the Director, NCERT, Bengaluru that the state government has adopted NECRT syllabus and the syllabus on financial education has been included in the science and mathematics text books under standard VI to X. With the inclusion of the above, the state has completed the introduction of financial education in the school curriculum for classes 6th to 10th, he congratulates the State government.

National Strategy for Financial Inclusion (NSFI)

The National Strategy for Financial Inclusion (NSFI) 2019-2024 has been prepared under the aegis of the Financial Inclusion Advisory Committee which aims to provide access to formal financial services in an affordable manner, broadening and deepening financial inclusion and promoting financial literacy and consumer protection.

It has laid down six strategic pillars with recommendations, and Action plans and Milestones to be achieved by March 2021.

He was urged all the stakeholders to extend full support and co-operation for achieving the vision set forth in the documents.

PRAGATHI Meeting - Review of Social Security Schemes - PMJJBY and PMSBY

On a review of the progress made under the above scheme and from the half-yearly statement submitted by SLBC, Karnataka for the half-year ended December 2020, out of 180,13,837 PMJDY account holders identified, only 8% have been enrolled under the Atal Pension scheme (APY) and 22.43% and 53.31 under PMJJBY and PMSBY insurance schemes respectively.

Credit flow under PMSVANidhi Scheme

The Regional Office had taken up the issue of low credit offtake under the Scheme with the MD/CEOs of the three Small Finance Banks (SFB) viz., Jana SFB, Ujjivan SFB and Fincare SFB wherein the banks were advised to intensify their efforts to reach out to the target group by March 31, 2021. While the banks have furnished data on the progress made therein and steps initiated like training in the PMS portal specific to the product and process at all branches on a regular basis, and resolution of the initial technical challenges impacting processing of new applications, the progress made is not encouraging.

Cybercrime reporting and response:

RBI has requested SLBC to obtain escalation levels details from all Banks for the police department to follow up/lodge complaints if the SOP is not adhered to and remaining banks to adopt the SOP and implement the system at the earliest and confirm as the same is to be complied to RBI directions.

Sri Niraj Kumar Verma, Chief General Manager, NABARD, RO Bengaluru while addressing the house highlighted the following:

Due to scarcity of time, I would like to flag only 3 issues;

1. Projection of ACP:

Govt of India has given a special sub target of agriculture term lending which includes animal husbandry, Dairy and Fisheries. This is different than KCC animal husbandry, dairy and fisheries. As already pointed by RD-RBI, DFS will ask about term loans to these sectors and providing the data is an issue. So i am requesting SLBC to make an arrangement for this kind of data also.

2. FRUITS:

As Chief Secretary has already raised this issue, I will suggest that now the time has come to go beyond pilots. We have done in last 4 months on pilots. Sri. Rajeev Chawla ji, ACS to Govt, Dept of eGovernance and his team has done lot of efforts in this field. So all the banks, not only Canara Bank should work on this FRUITS from tomorrow onwards and SLBC has to coordinate with Dept of eGovernance.

Requesting all the Banks to go for FRUITS and not to start rolling out from 1st July 2021 as lot of pilots are since made. Whatever the feedback has come from rolling out of Canara Bank that should be shared to other Banks.

3. Agri Infrastructure Fund:

I will say, last year we had witnessed a very deemed performance but now there is no other way out. This time we have to go callout for this and the key for this performance is lies in the District Level Monitoring. So, it has to start at the District Levels. Some mechanisms have to worked out & rolled out at district levels as we have done so many meetings & researches at state level.

My suggestion is that all the districts Deputy Commissioners may be advised to conduct the meeting regularly and atleast identify one officer as a District

Resource Person by the nodal department. So that other bankers can contact him and applications can be generated. This mechanism has to be done on a monthly basis then only we can think of achieving AIF.

Subsequently Sri B Chandrasekhara Rao, Convenor-SLBC Karnataka has initiated and moderated agenda wise discussion by hearing the issues & suggestions from departments & bankers and directions from the Chair.

AGENDA 1.0: CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF 152nd SLBC MEETING HELD 28.12.2020.

The Minutes of 152nd SLBC meeting held on 28.12.2020 circulated to all the member banks and Govt. departments. The minutes of the same were approved.

AGENDA 2.0: FOLLOW-UP ACTION ON THE DECISIONS TAKEN DURING THE PREVIOUS SLBC MEETING

The action taken by the SLBC on various action points evolved during 152nd were taken note of by the House, the details of which are furnished as below.

2.1: Standardized system for direct flow LDM's of data from CBS of the member banks.

Convenor has informed that, all standard data templates and block codes have been provided to the member Banks and LDMs, the revamped Portal is in PARALLEL RUN with the existing Portal for feeding data for March quarter 2021 and from 1st April onwards only Revamped Portal is available. The same was informed to all the Banks & LDMs.

He also informed that only 23 Banks have entered the data in revamped Portal and updation by many major banks are still pending.

As suggested by RBI, Convenor informed the house that SLBC will call a meeting with remaining banks regarding providing of data in revamped portal.

The Convenor requested all member Banks to update the data in Revamped Portal after due comparison with the existing portal data and he once again informed the banks that from 01.04.2021 banks have to provide data only in Revamped Portal

(Action: ALL Banks, SLBC)

2.2: Operationalization of Central Sector Schemes of financing facility under Agriculture Infrastructure Fund:

Convenor has informed the house that, SLBC allocated the target for all member banks in consultation with NABARD and Lending under the scheme has taken off, Banks have started lending under the scheme, however large and innovative projects suitable under scheme are to be sourced by line departments.

(Action: ALL Banks & Agricultural Department-GoK)

2.3: Cybercrime Coordination & Response.

Convenor informed the house that, SLBC has shared the SOP finalized by RBI to all the Member Banks for adoption and implementation in Karnataka state on or before 31.01.2021.

Further, SLBC has forwarded the escalation matrix details submitted by Banks to Police Authorities as per the instructions of RBI.

(Action: ALL Banks)

2.4: Integration of FRUITS (Farmer Registration & Unified Beneficiary Information System) with Banks

Convenor informed the house that, Piloting of the project on integration of FRUITS with banks extended for all bank branches of Canara Bank located in Chikkaballapura district in addition to the existing two branches of Canara Bank (Nelamangala and Tavarekere).

House also requested Canara Bank to provide brief note on hurdles/suggestions-based pilot project for smooth implementation in other banks in State.

(Action:Canara Bank)

House has suggested to start implementation of integration of Fruits in all banks in Karnataka State in coordination with SLBC, e-governance dept.GoK, NABARD & Banks.

(Action: SLBC, eGovernance dept.GoK, NABARD & Banks)

Banking Outlets: Status of opening of banking outlets in unbanked villages, CBS-enabled banking outlets at the unbanked rural centres (URCs)

Convenor informed the house that, as a result of continuous follow up by SLBC, Kotak Mahindra Bank has opened its branch at Managalli village and started functioning since 24.03.2021.

AGENDA-3: Review of financial inclusion initiatives, expansion of banking network and Financial Literacy

3.1: Banking Outlets: Status of opening of banking outlets in unbanked villages, CBS-enabled banking outlets at the unbanked rural centres (URCs):

Convenor informed the house that, one centre which was pending for coverage by Kotak Mahindra Bank at Managalli village of Chamaraja Nagar district has been covered with a bank branch.

Convenor informed the house that all the 609 villages of unbanked rural centres (URCs) identified by DFS have been covered by CBS enabled banking outlets.

3.2: Status of opening of Banking Outlets (Branch/BC) in unbanked villages within a radius of 5 KM from the village:

Convenor informed the house that, as per Jan Dharshak app and FI Plan portal, there is no unbanked village within a 5 km radius from any village in Karnataka and NIL pendency as per DFS NIC report dt. 30.11.2020.

3.3: Status of opening of Brick and Mortar branches in villages having population of 5000 and more:

Convenor informed the house that, Out of 210 villages initially identified, concerned banks have opened banking outlets in all allotted villages as per RBI Banking outlet definition contained in RBI Circular. No. BAPD.BC.69/ 22.01.001/2016-17 dated 18th may 2017.

AGENDA 4: Financial inclusion Initiatives

4.1: Functioning of Business Correspondents (Review of Operations of Business Correspondents – hurdles/issues involved):

Convenor informed that, there are 126 inactive BCs as on 30.12.2020, due to resignation and other reasons, which got reduced to 119 as on 18.02.2021.

Convenor, requested respective Banks to activate all inactive BCs and appoint new BCs where BCs have resigned / not certified by IIBF within timelines and initiate measures for making these centers functional and also requested to make special efforts to reduce inactive BCs.

(Action: ALL Banks)

4.2: Financial literacy initiatives by banks.

SBI and UBI are requested to expedite appointment of 28 and 17 FL Counsellors, respectively and make these FLCs functional.

SLBC requests all the sponsor banks to oversee the functioning of FLCs and also arrange for prompt and accurate reporting.

Further, SLBC requests sponsor Banks & all member banks to focus on conducting more digital financial literacy camps through FLCs & rural branches in the aspirational districts such as Raichur & Yadgir.

(Action: RBI, SBI, UBI & ALL other Banks)

4.2.1: Advertisement of Ponzi schemes/Cyber frauds/PMJDY frauds in KSRTC Buses

Convenor informed that, as per the decision taken in SLCC meeting chaired by the Chief Secretary, GoK and convened by RBI on 01.08.2016, SLBC has carried out the publicity campaign in 4 districts viz. Bangalore City, Mysore, Belagavi and Kalburgi out of subscriptions totaling to Rs.69.50 lakhs and SLBC has incurred an amount of Rs.33.16 lakhs.

He informed that, SLBC has given wide publicity in the 6 districts viz. Raichur, Yadgir, Mangalore, Shimoga, Haveri and Vijayapura by utilizing the remaining funds of Rs.32.40 lakhs regarding **Advertisement of Ponzi schemes/Cyber frauds/PMJDY frauds in KSRTC, NEKRTC & NWKRTC Buses of Karnataka** for carrying advertisement on 150 buses for a period of 3 months from 01.01.2021 to 31.03.2021.

4.3: Status of Aadhaar Enrolment Centres in banks in the state:

Convenor informed that, UIDAI, Bangalore has informed that as on 18.02.2021, 949 kits are active with 414476 enrolments/updates in the last 30 days against 840 active kits with 227613 enrolments/updates in the last 30 days as on 18.11.2020.

He told that, as informed by UIDAI, the Aadhaar enrolment centres of Banks like J & K Bank, ESAF & DCB, Dhanalaxmi & IOB, TMB & Axis, RBL & PSB, UCO, CBI & Fincare, KVB & Bandhan, Ujjivan are performing less than minimum 8 transactions (enrolments/updates) per day per centre against the revised target communicated by UIDAI w.e.f. 01.10.2020.

(Action: J & K Bank, ESAF & DCB, Dhanalaxmi & IOB, TMB & Axis, RBL & PSB, UCO, CBI & Fincare, KVB & Bandhan, Ujjivan)

Further, SLBC requested all Member Banks to give more focus for enrolments/updates in Raichur & Yadgir districts and also to ensure proper display of Aadhaar Enrolment Centre board outside the premises for the convenience of public to the banks having enrolment centres in the state of Karnataka.

(Action: All Banks)

4.4: State Level Implementation Committee for Targeted Financial Inclusion Intervention Programme (TFIIP):

Convenor informed the house that, DFS with their vide letter no.F.No.6/5/2018-FI(Vol II) (C-300382286) dt.07.01.2021 has communicated the decisions of NLSC meeting held on 02.12.2020 to all Convenor of SLBCs, LDMs & DCs/DMs of 40 aspirational districts regarding convergence of timelines to achieve 100% benchmark on all Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) in Phase II by the end of September 2021.

He also told that, DFS has requested DCs/DMs & LDMs of aspirational districts and SLBCs of respective states to take immediate and appropriate steps to ensure the following;

- Availability of at least one banking touch-point (Branch/BC/Kiosk) within 5 km distance of every inhabited village in the identified aspirational districts.
- To achieve 100% target by 22.09.2021 by organizing camps and outreach programs in the locations decided by the District Administration.
- To consider the available resources and information by DLIC to spread financial awareness in the district with the help of respective Gram Panchayats.

Further he expressed that, Additional Secretary, DFS has also requested CS, GoK to initiate necessary process for ensuring the above in the state vide D.O. letter no. 6/5/2018-FI dt.01.02.2021.

SLBC has also requested Controlling Heads of Member Banks operating in Raichur & Yadgir districts to coordinate with LDMS & District Administrations in participating camps and outreach programs at the locations as decided by the District Administration.

Also all member banks are requested to arrange for review of branch wise performance in the above two aspirational districts (Raichur & Yadgir) and further improve the progress to achieve the target.

As advised by GoK: FD, the Deputy Commissioners of two aspirational districts are requested to organize camps and facilitate progress under PMJJBY & PMSBY.

(Actions: All Banks, DC/DMS & LDMS Raichur & Yadgi Districts)

AGENDA 4.5: Skill development:

4.5.1: RUDSETI / RSETIs

4.5.2: Status of RSETIs / RUDSETIs as on 31.12.2020 reported by sponsor Banks is as under:

Convenor informed the house that number of training programmes conducted was 516 against the target of 616 as on 31.12.2021.

He requested the State Director of RSETIS/RUDSETIS to ensure to conduct more training programmers in remaining periods of financial year.

(Action: Banks & Director of RSETIS/RUDSETIS)

4.5.3: Functioning and performance of RUDSETI (7) / RSETI (26) in Karnataka state

AGENDA19: RUDSETI / RSETIs

Convenor, informed house that 516 trainings were conducted and number of trained persons credit linked were 531 During financial year 2020-21, and added that it is less progress was due to COVID-19 pandemic.

Convenor also requested to **conduct one credit linkage programme by involving banks in every training programme on the last day of training programme, so that it will increase number of trained persons credit linked and also employments to unemployed youths.**

(Action: State Director of RSETIS/RUDSETIS, Convenor-SLBC Sub-Committee on RSETIS & Dept. of Skill development- GoK)

4.6: Issues - Reimbursement of pending BPL claims of training expenditures

Convenor informed the house that, as on 28.02.2021, about Rs.19.25 crore is pending to be released by SRLM to various RSETIs in Karnataka and the pendency is continuing for many years. He requested GoK to intervene in releasing of pending claims of Rs.19.25 crore which is released by SRLM to various RSETIs in Karnataka.

Chief Secretary, GOK instructed the skill development department to examine for delay in reimbursement of pending BPL claims of training expenditures and also advised to take appropriate steps for fast release of pending claims.

(Action: Dept. of Skill development- GoK, SRLM &GoK)

4.7: Progress in increasing digital modes of payment in the State, provision of continuous connectivity with sufficient bandwidth, resolving connectivity issues/ connectivity options (Bharat Net, VSAT, etc.), installation of ATMs and PoS machines and status of implementation of e-receipts and e-payments in the State

4.7.1: Utilizing Bharat Net Brand band infrastructure and enhancing the bouquet of services through Broad band in rural areas

Convenor informed the house that, DFS with their vide letter no F.NO.1/23/2013-FI (C-60988) dated 11.12.2020 sought the details of Gram panchayats in all states where inadequate Telecom connectivity is hampering opening/operation of bank branches/BCs manning banking outlet in the prescribed format as provided.

SLBC has submitted the details as requested by DFS on 22.12.2020 containing 544 Number of Gram Panchayat's where Telecom connectivity is hampering the operation of bank branches and BCs.

DFS with their vide letter no F.No. 6/13/2020-FI (C-475600) dated 16.03.2021 (enclosed as an annexure 4H, page no. 105 to 110) has requested all SLBCs from whom they have received list of GPs where opening/operation of branches/BC points hampered due to lack of Telecom Connectivity to coordinate with CSC e-governance Services India Ltd which is providing WiFi services in GPs & FTTH connections to 5 Govt institutions at GP level and DoT Licensed Service Areas of state.

Convenor also informed that, SLBC has shared the list containing 544 Number of Gram Panchayat's with their vide letter no.114/SLBC/2021/F-612 dt.09.04.2021 to Karnataka LSA, DoT where Telecom connectivity is hampering the operation of bank branches and BCs under copy to state SPOC, CSC e-Governance Services India Ltd., Karnataka for doing the needful.

(Action: state SPOC, CSC e-Governance Services India Ltd., Karnataka)

AGENDA 5: KCC

5.1 KCC Loans – Disbursements & Outstanding:

Convenor requested all the member banks to sanction KCC loans to all the eligible farmers under agriculture and allied activities.

(Action: All member banks)

5.2. Saturation of PM Kisan beneficiaries with KCC:

SLBC Convenor informed the house that, the KCC saturation drive started on 8th Feb 2020 by DFS: GOI to cover all the PM Kisan Samman Nidhi Yojana beneficiaries under KCC facility and in the Karnataka state, banks have sanctioned 7.34 lakh KCC loans amounting to Rs 9815.23 crore for the PM Kisan beneficiaries as on 19.02.2021.

ACS&DC advised Department of Agriculture to identify at gross root level and hand hold left out PM Kisan beneficiaries to get the KCC loans from the banks.

Chief Secretary, GoK advised all the banks cover all the remaining 14 lakhs left out PM Kisan beneficiaries to bring under the KCC ambit.

Further, SLBC Convenor requested all the member banks to cover all the left-out PM Kisan beneficiaries with KCC facility.

(Action: All member banks and Agriculture department, GoK)

5.3: Issuance of KCC-AH to dairy farmers of Milk Cooperatives and Milk Producer Societies/Unions:

SLBC Convenor informed the house that the second phase KCC saturation special drive started from 1st June 2020 to 31st July 2020 to extend KCC-Dairy loans to milk pourers of milk unions subsequently extended upto 31st Dec 2020.

Convenor-SLBC informed the house that, as on 12.02.2021 banks have sanctioned 1,71,000 KCC-Dairy loans against the 5.54 lakh KCC-AH physical applications submitted by KMF/Milk unions to the bank branches. He has informed the house that our state has secured 1st position in the country with respect to KCC-Dairy sanctions by the collective efforts of all banks and LDMs.

SLBC Convenor requested all State Controlling Heads of banks for expeditious sanctions of pending KCC-AH applications by the end of June 2021.

ACS & DC has mentioned about wide gap between number of active milk pourers (8.75 lakhs) and number of KCC-D sanctioned (1.71 lakh).

(Action: All member banks)

5.4. Issuance of KCC-Fisheries.

The ACS & DC has expressed displeasure on banks for having kept huge number of applications pending for disposal. SLBC Convenor requested all member banks to advise the concerned branches to dispose the pending KCC-Fishery applications as per extant guidelines.

ACS&DC has advised Department of Fisheries, GoK to actively follow up with the banks for getting the maximum number of loans sanctions.

SLBC-DGM informed the house that SLBC had a meeting with state level officials of Fishery department and already written the LDMs to reconcile the figures on actual application submitted to the branches by calling a meeting of bank district coordinators and district level fishery department officials.

(Action: LDMs, All member banks and Dept. of Fisheries, GoK)

5.5. Conferring award in recognition of performance under KCC-Dairy:

SLBC Convenor informed the house that SLBC had communicated all the banks and LDMs on 01.12.2020 on felicitating best performing branches to recognize and encourage sincere work put in by best performing branches under PSBs, RRBs and DCCS.

In light of the above Convenor-SLBC congratulated and placed on the record that SBI, Jayamangala branch (1300 accounts), Ramanagar dist, Karnataka Grameena Bank Hagare branch (565), Hassan dist and Hassan DCC Bank (12000) have sanctioned

highest number of KCC Dairy loans amongst PSBs, RBBs and Cooperative banks, respectively.

5.6. PMFBY AND RWBCIS:

5.6.1. Season wise insurance claims settlement status under PMFBY and RWBCIS
Agriculture Commissioner, GoK informed the house that Department has resolved all the pending issues pertaining with the pending claims, the left-out claims are being settled through escrow account.

5.6.2. Redressal of pending issues on settlement of crop insurance claims by state level redressal committee

ACS Agriculture informed the house on the two references pending (SBI and Canara Bank) at state level redressal committee on crop insurance that the issue was already decided at the central Government level to make the payment by banks as they were at fault and there are no reference pending at the redressal committee.

SLBC requested ACS Agriculture to provide the copy of the decision to communicate the same to the concerned banks.

(Action: Agri. Dept., GoK)

5.7: Sharing of KCC details along with last four digits of Aadhaar to Agriculture Commissioner, GoK

SLBC Convenor informed the house that, subsequent to submission of KCC details along with last four digits of Aadhaar by SLBC, Department of agriculture, GoK has provided the list of accounts with insufficient information, which is to be re submitted to the department after rectification. SLBC has already sent mails to the concerned banks to resubmit the data with required information.

SLBC Convenor requested all the concerned banks to immediately submit the full information. GoK through SLBC to enable them to come out with uncovered PM Kisan beneficiaries for bringing them under the ambit of KCC.

(Action: Member Banks)

5.8: Integration of FRUITS (Farmer Registration & Unified Beneficiary Information System) with Banks

SLBC convenor informed the house that piloting of the project on integration of FRUITS with banks is extended for all bank branches of Canara Bank located in Chikkaballapura district in additional to the existing two branches (Nelamangala and Tavarekere) and it will be rolling out across the bank branches throughout the state.

(Action: All member banks, e-Governance dept.,GoK and NABARD)

AGENDA 6. Crop Loan Waiver Scheme -2018

6.1: Progress in implementation of CLWS-2018 of GoK:

Regarding progress under implementation of CLWS-2018 of GoK, Convenor: informed the house that the GoK as a part of CLWS-2018 has released 7556.86 crores towards crop loan accounts of 10,00,767 farmers of Commercial Banks and RRBs till 08.04.2021.

6.2: Actions to be taken by Banks on priority for CLWS -2018.

Convenor requested all the member banks/LDMs to compete the following tasks viz:

- Pendency in feeding of alternate account (Pendency at Manager Level and Pendency at DGM level in case of closed accounts after 31.12.2017).
- Green list approval pendency, FSD Pendency and CLWS accounts pending at various stages.

Banks to refer letter dated 17.10.2020 received from Secretary Administrative Reforms-DPAR/ Head of CLWS Special – GoK which was already forwarded to banks.

As informed in 152nd SLBC meeting the banks has to approach concern department (CLWS Spl Cell or Finance department-Fiscal Reform GoK) to resolve the issues if any of individual banks and also revert to department for resolving the any issues.

(Action: All Banks, CLWS Spl. Cell-GoK & FD FR GoK)

6.3 Other Issues pertaining to CLWS-2018

Convenor informed that, Draft Internal Audit booklet was submitted (Booklet was already placed in 150th SLBC Agenda) to Finance Department and final approval is awaited. After approval by GoK, the participating banks shall start the process of carrying out internal audit.

(Action: All Banks)

AGENDA 7: Fisheries Loan Waiver Scheme:

Fisheries loan waiver scheme: Green List Finalization

Convenor informed the house that, as per the information provided by fisheries department, earlier 15099 fishermen were green listed for clearance of loan waiver amount of Rs 38.49 Crore from the department, out of which 11033 have been cleared by crediting Rs 30.74 Crore to respective loan accounts.

Now, 4017 fishermen out of 4050 have been credited with loan amount of Total Rs 7,70,54,565/- returned earlier form Green List1.

He told that, as per the department, with respect to 7195 failed list, the respective District Level Committees are attending to verify the same. Software to update the status of verification of failed list is being developed by BMC and will be processed at the earliest.

Convenor informed that, immediately after receiving of communication from fisheries department regarding Software to update the status of verification of failed list, banks are requested to do the task as per extant guidelines/procedure of department.

(Action: Bhoomi Monitoring Cell, Fisheries Department, GoK & Banks)

AGENDA 8.0:

8.1. Conduct of study on CD ratio

Convenor informed that as advised during the 152nd SLBC meeting, by Chief Secretary, GoK, while reviewing the CD ratio of Karnataka, had expressed concern on the decline in CD ratio in Karnataka. He requested the Reserve Bank of India to undertake a study

and compare the CD ratio movement with other states and also analyses the reasons for reduction in CD ratio by conducting data analysis.

RBI informed the House that subsequent to the conduct of the study, a copy of the Report is placed in agenda and requested banks to study the report and advised banks and LDMs to improve the CD ratio.

(Action: All Banks & LDMs)

8.2. Representation from Krishika Samaja, Sullia, Dakshina Kannada

RBI, Bengaluru was in receipt of a representation from the captioned organization representing arecanut growers of Sullia taluk, Dakshina Kannada district highlighting the exploitation faced by them through forced selling to M/s. CAMPCO, an organization formed for the benefit of farmer community, on account of lower quoting of prices by them as against the prevalent rate.

They have brought to the notice of both the central and state governments, the hardships faced by them on account of low realization, forced selling, rising cost of fertilizers, etc. and requested for a intervention through fixing of scientific rates for various products grown by them and also arrange for direct purchase of their produce.

Further, as per the latest government notification, one ration card holder is only eligible for crop loan of Rs.3.00 lakh at 0% interest. Under the earlier dispensation, they could avail credit as per their requirement from co-operative societies. The current restriction would lead to more than half of the acreage being unused/ underutilized on account of inadequacy of funding. Hence, they have requested for continuation of crop loan as required by the farmers and provide loans at 0 % interest instead of the 7% interest. The organization has also requested for repayment exemption of both short term and long-term loan availed by the farmer community for a period of three years.

RBI requested concerned government department may like to respond on the issue.

(Action: Finance Department GoK., 2). Department of Co-Operation/Registrar Co-Operative Societies, GoK, 3). Agricultural Department, GoK, 4). Price Commission Department, GoK, 5). Apex Bank, Karnataka & 6). Horticulture Department, GoK)

8.3. Setting up of Centre for Financial Literacy (CFL)

The CFL pilot project on financial literacy was initiated by RBI in 2017 in **nine states** across eighty blocks by six Non-Government Organizations (NGOs) in collaboration with eight sponsor banks for a three-year period, with funding support from Financial Inclusion Fund (FIF) of NABARD and respective banks. The NGOs, registered with DEA Fund Cell, DoR for the project were selected through a rigorous process of screening. The project was initiated with the objective of exploring innovative and participatory approaches to financial literacy.

The project was subsequently extended to twenty tribal/ economically backward blocks in three states in 2019 with funding from the Depositor Education and Awareness (DEA) Fund and sponsor banks for a period of two years (to sync with the three years 80 CFL project).

One of the milestones of the National Strategy for Financial Inclusion (NSFI: 2019-2024) is to expand the reach of CFLs to every block in the country. Accordingly, it has been decided to scale up the outreach of CFLs to every block in the country, in a phased manner with one CFL serving three blocks.

Details of the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) as applicable to CFLs have also been communicated.

Presently, RBI has identified three adjoining blocks to be serviced by CFLs as part of the FL process. In our state, currently around 114 blocks have been identified for this purpose. Two NGOs, DHAN Foundation and MOTHER Ron have been identified as CFLs in the state.

RBI, Bengaluru has held preliminary discussions with these two NGOs during March 2021. They are in discussions with the sponsor banks, Canara Bank, State Bank of India and Bank of Baroda, for entering into Memorandum of Understanding (MoU).

RBI requested Canara Bank, State Bank of India and Bank of Baroda to inform the developments in this regard.

(Action: Canara Bank, State Bank of India and Bank of Baroda)

8.4. Expansion and Deepening of Digital Payment ecosystem in the aspirational district – Raichur

The Sub-Committee meeting on Expanding and Deepening of Digital Payment Ecosystem was held on March 25, 2021 with all the stakeholders. The meeting was convened specifically to review the progress on ensuring 100% digitization of the district by March 2021. On a perusal of the statement submitted, it is observed that the overall achievement of the district is 99.95% and 98.80% coverage under Savings Bank accounts and business Current Accounts respectively.

Conformation from SLBC Sub-Committee Bank on 100% achievement is awaited.

(Action: Convenor SLBC Sub-Committee Expansion and Deepening of Digital Payment ecosystem)

8.5. Standardized system for direct flow of data from CBS of the member banks

Convenor has informed that; all standard data templates and block have been provided to the member banks and LDCMs and informed to map block codes and district code as per LG Directory. While the time line for completion of the project was December 2020, we have been informed by SLBC, Karnataka that 28 member banks are yet to update the data in revamped portal ensuing direct flow of data from CBS of the member banks. Further, Sub-Committee on Financial Inclusion has advised banks to ensure that the integration is complete in all respects by June 2021.

As suggested by RBI, Convenor informed the house that SLBC will call meeting with remaining banks regarding providing of data in revamped portal.

Convenor requested all member Banks to update the data in Revamped Portal after due comparison with the existing portal data and he once again informed the banks that from 01.04.2021 banks have to provide data only in Revamped Portal

(Action: ALL Banks, SLBC)

8.6. Promotion of Organic Farming

In the 151st SLBC meeting, Agriculture department was requested to select a district for implementation of organic farming on pilot basis and approach DC office. The developments/roadmap in the matter is awaited.

(Action: Agricultural Department-GoK & Organic Cell GoK)

8.7. Internal Working Group to review Agriculture credit

The Internal working Group on Agricultural Credit had made certain recommendations which are at various stages of implementation of State and Central Governments.

Three recommendations relating to

- a) 100% digitization of land records of the state through the Bhoomi package
- b) Promote and conduct awareness drives for land consolidations to enable farmers to achieve economies of scale and incentive to make long term investments and
- c) Allocate larger portion of the state government borrowing from RIDF fund for rural infrastructure development in the state need further attention

We have been given to understand that NABARD had made a normative allocation of Rs.900 crore under RIDF to the state government towards rural infrastructure development in the state. RBI, therefore, request the state government to brief the forum on developments under the remaining two areas, viz., digitization of land records and consolidation of land holdings.

(Action: Bhoomi Monitoring Cell, Kaveri Online Services-Department of Stamps and Registration, E-Governance Department, Agriculture department and Concern Government Department).

8.8. Progress in Registration under Trade Receivable Discounting System (TReDS)

SLBC, Karnataka was advised during the 61st Empowered committee meeting on MSME held on February 15, 2021 to take up with the State government line departments for compulsory registration of state government undertakings under TReDS platform. We have been informed by the Finance Department (Fiscal Reforms) that presently only two state government undertakings viz., Karnataka State Agricultural Produce Processing & Export Corporation Ltd and Bangalore Electricity Supply Company Ltd have registered under TReDS as at the end of February 2021.

RBI requested, Finance Department to inform the further progress in the matter.

(Action: Finance Department-FR GoK)

8.9. Monitoring the progress on Unidentified/ unrecognized clusters of MSME for facilitating availability of banking outlets and credit flow

RBI informed that, on a review of the quarterly reports to monitor the progress of credit linkage to unidentified/ unrecognized MSME clusters at 18 districts identified in the state, credit linkage under Bengaluru Urban district has been completed. Further, out of

the 6974 units yet to be credit linked, only four districts have reported credit linkage to 460 MSME units.

RBI informed that, the list of the 14 districts is being shared with SLBC with an advice to take up with the respective Lead Bank for reporting the progress.

(Action: Respective 14 LDMs & SLBC)

8.10. National Strategy for Financial Education (NSFE)

RBI informed that, as you are all aware that National Centre for Financial Education (NCFE) in consultation with all the Financial Sector Regulators, DFS and other Ministries of Govt and other stakeholders, have come up with the **second NSFE document for the period 2020-25**. Karnataka based banks were advised during the previous SLBC meeting (152nd) to come out with their plans/ strategy to take forward the vision of the documents.

RBI once again request the banks to brief on the action taken/ initiatives in the matter.

(Action: All Banks)

8.11. Inclusion of financial education content in School syllabus / curriculum

RBI informed the house that, they have been informed by the Director, NCERT, Bengaluru that the state government has adopted NECRT syllabus and the syllabus on financial education has been included in the science and mathematics text books under standard VI to X. With the inclusion of the above, the state has completed the introduction of financial education in the school curriculum for classes 6th to 10th.

RBI RD congratulated the concern department for the implementation.

8.12. National Strategy for Financial Inclusion (NSFI)

RBI, RD informed the house that, the National Strategy for Financial Inclusion (NSFI) 2019-2024 has been prepared under the aegis of the Financial Inclusion Advisory Committee which aims to provide access to formal financial services in an affordable manner, broadening and deepening financial inclusion and promoting financial literacy and consumer protection.

It has laid down six strategic pillars with recommendations, and Action plans and Milestones to be achieved by March 2021.

RBI urge all the stakeholders to extend full support and co-operation for achieving the vision set forth in the documents.

{Action: All Banks, LDMs & Convenor SLBC FI Subcommittee (UBI)}

8.13. PRAGATHI Meeting - Review of Social Security Schemes - PMJJBY and PMSBY

RBI informed that, on a review of the progress made under the above scheme and from the half-yearly statement submitted by SLBC, Karnataka for the half-year ended December 2020, out of 180,13,837 PMJDY account holders identified, only 8% have been enrolled under the Atal Pension scheme (APY) and 22.43% and 53.31 under PMJJBY and PMSBY insurance schemes respectively.

RBI RD requested SLBC, Karnataka to update the progress as on March 2021.

(Action: SLBC)

8.14. Credit flow under PMSVANidhi Scheme

RBI, Regional Office had taken up the issue of low credit offtake under the Scheme with the MD/CEOs of the three Small Finance Banks (SFB) viz., Jana SFB, Ujjivan SFB and Fincare SFB wherein the banks were advised to intensify their efforts to reach out to the target group by March 31, 2021.

RBI RD once again urge the banks to ensure higher credit disbursement under the Scheme to ensure that the target groups are brought into the formal credit process.

(Action: Jana SFB, Ujjivan SFB and Fincare SFB & All Banks)

8.15. Discussion on Market Intelligence issues

House was appraised about the Market Intelligence (MI) information of certain entities functioning under the jurisdiction of the RBI, Regional Office VIZ. 1. **Kushiro Financial Services Private Limited**, Dickenson Road & Rajajinagar, Bengaluru. 2. **VEDAAS**, Vittal Mallya Road, Bengaluru 3. **CKG Infotech Private Limited**, Rajajinagar, Bengaluru, 4. **VY Capital**, Gadag District, Karnataka and also Nagasandra, Bengaluru Urban

Members (Banks, LDMs & Line Departments) were requested to create awareness among the public to avoid possible frauds and financial loss and report the suspicious activities in Sachet portal.

8.16. Cybercrime reporting and response:

As per the deliberations in the House of 151st SLBC, the model SOP finalized by RBI, has been provided to all Banks vide our letter no.013/SLBC/2020/CyberCrime dt.15.01.2021 and advised to adopt SOP for implementation by Bank on or before 31.01.2021 by inviting opinion/suggestion on SOP since 07.11.2020.

As on 01.04.2021, only Karnataka Bank, Ujjevan Bank, Dhanalakshmi Bank and Federal Bank have confirmed that SOP has been adopted & implemented by them for handling cyber frauds in Karnataka.

SLBC requests remaining banks to adopt the SOP and implement the system at the earliest and confirm as the same is to be complied to RBI directions.

(Action: All Banks)

AGENDA 9: NABARD AGENDA

9.1. Support to Government of Karnataka under RIDF

House was appraised by CGM NABARD for supporting GoK for creating rural infrastructure covering Agri and allied sector, rural connectivity and improving standards of social sector, which has multiple effect on economic development. He told that, under RIDF No. of projects selected is 43628 and Loan Sanctioned Rs. 14918.94 crores

Further, He informed the house that, under RIDF assistance the state in bringing more than 4.49 lakh Ha of land under irrigation. With a view to optimizing, the benefits accrued

from the implementation of these projects' banks may consider extending crop loan and other investment credit to farmers operating in the command area of these projects.

(Action: All Banks)

9.2: Agriculture Infrastructure Fund

SLBC requested the member banks to issue operational Guidelines of AIF scheme to all the controlling offices and branches of respective banks. It is suggested that "wide publicity may be given by member banks/LDMs at field level" and projects eligible under the scheme may be processed/financed. Banks should ensure issue of login credentials of AIF portal (agriinfra.dac.gov.in) to all the controlling offices/branches.

(Action: All Banks & LDMs)

9.3: Agri Clinic and Agri Business Centre (ACABC):

Convenor requested NABARD to provide the details of pending application of bank for sanction under ACABC for appraise to respective banks through MANAGE-ACABC of Hyderabad.

(Action: NABARD)

AGENDA 10. Banking statistics as on 31st December 2020:

10.1: Business figures under various parameters:

Convenor presented the Banking Statistics on Deposits, Advances, CD Ratio, total PSA, Advances to MSE/ Agriculture/ Weaker Section in the State of Karnataka as on December 2020.

There is a Y-o-Y growth of 13.84% in deposits and 9.70% in advances as on Dec 2020 over Dec 2019. The CD ratio of the state is 72.47% as on Dec 2020.

The level of PSA in the State has increased from Rs. 2,75,998 crores as on Dec 2019 to Rs. 3,05,628 crores as on Dec 2020 showing an absolute growth of Rs.29,630 crores and percentage growth of 10.74% on Y-O-Y basis.

Agricultural advances have increased from Rs. 1,27,910 crores as on Dec 2019 to Rs. 1,45,987 Crores as on Dec 2020, showing an increase of Rs.18,077 crores (14.13%) on Y-O-Y basis.

The outstanding level under MSME have increased by Rs.4,404 Crores from Rs.98,027 Crores as on Dec 2019 to Rs.1,02,431 Crores as on Dec 2020 i.e. growth of 4.49 % on Y-o-Y basis.

The Convenor requested member banks to give more focus on priority sector lending.

(Action: SLBC & All Banks)

10.2: Branch Network

Convenor informed the house that, the number of bank branches has increased from 11546 as on 30.09.2020 to 11606 as on 31.12.2020, thus showing an increase of 60 branches and it is because of adding of Jana Small Finance bank as a SLBC member.

10.2.1 Rural bank branch closing issue: Concern bank to explain:

Convenor informed the house that, as per RBI's notification no. RBI/2016-17/306 DBR No.BAPD.BC.69/22.01.001/2016-17 dt.18.05.2017, Banks having general permission may shift, merge or close all Banking Outlets except rural outlets and sole semi urban outlets at their discretion. However, Banks should seek the approval from DCC/DLRC for closure/merger/shifting of any rural Banking Outlet as well as a sole semi urban Banking Outlet.

Closure of rural branches by Banks in some districts:

Sl No	District name	Bank name	Branch Name	Parameter
1	Ramanagar	Bank of Baroda	Bidadi (eVijaya)	To merge with Kenchanakuppe (BoB) Branch
2	Udupi	Canara Bank	Shankarpura-II (eSynd)	To merge with Shankarpura-I Branch
3	Udupi	Canara Bank	Kaup-I (canara)	To merge with Kaup-II (eSynd) Branch
4	Udupi	Canara Bank	Moodubelle-II (eSyndicate)	To merge with Moodubelle-I (canara) Branch
5	Udupi	Canara Bank	Shiroor-I (canara)	To merge with Shiroor-II (eSynd) Branch
6	Udupi	Canara Bank	Bidkalkatte (eSynd)	Jannadi (canara)
7	Udupi	Canara Bank	Byndoor-I (canara)	Byndoor-II (eSynd)

The house accepted merger of these branches as approved in DCC/DLRC meeting and merger of branches proposed due to amalgamation of Banks where two branches of amalgamated entity are functioning in the same vicinity within the distance from 100 mtrs to 600 mtrs.

10.3: ATM Network

Convenor informed the house that, total number of ATMs has increased from 17388 as on 31.03.2020 to 17491 as on 31.12.2020, thus showing an increase of 103 ATMs during the period. He also told that, the increase in rural and semi-urban ATMs and the decrease in Urban ATMs is due to the shifting of ATMs by SBI

AGENDA 11: REVIEW OF CREDIT DISBURSEMENT BY BANKS:

11.1. Achievement under ACP of the state, Priority Sector Lending

Convenor presented a comparative analysis of disbursement up to the quarter ending December 2020 of FY 2020-21 vis-à-vis disbursements up to the quarter ending December 2019 of FY 2019-20:

- The banks have disbursed Rs.52737Crore under Short Term agriloans registering 79.88 % achievement to the Annual target.
- The banks have disbursed Rs.34741Crore as on December 2020 under Agricultural Term loans registering 75.23 % achievement to the Annual target.
- Total agriculture registering 77.97 % achievement to the annual target.

- The banks have disbursed Rs.75049Crore under MSME registering 80.62 % achievement to the Annual target.
- The banks have disbursed Rs.3677Crore under priority Housing registering only 13.59 % achievement to the Annual target.

Convenor requested member banks to improve lending under priority sector credit with focus onKCC, KCC Dairy, MSME, priority housing and other priority sector during FY 2020-21.

The ACS & DC, GoK requested all banks to give more focus on lending priority Housing, PMAY, AHP, so that it will also to full housing for all. She also expressed that bank has to improve in lending KCC.

(Action: All Banks& LDMs)

AGENDA 12: Status of rollout of Direct Benefit Transfer in the State – Aadhaar seeding and Authentication:

12.1: Progress under Aadhaar/Mobile seeding of operative CASA a/cs:

Convenor informed that, percentage of Aadhaar seeding is 86.98 and percentage of mobile seeding is 85.75 as on 31.12.2020.

Convenor requested, all member banks to sensitize the branches and to arrange for further improving Aadhaar and mobile seeding to facilitate more and more Aadhaar based online DBT credits and popularize digital banking particularly in two aspirational districts of Raichur and Yadgir.

Banks are requested to take pending list from their respective DIT level and provide the same to branches for aadhaar seeding and mapping with NPCI.

The Banks / LDMs are requested to instruct all their branches to complete aadhaar seeding and mapping with NPCI in a campaign mode with proper guidance for doing in CBS and achieve it for 100 % by next SLBC meeting.

ACS & DC told that all the government benefits are crediting through Aadhaar Based payment system by NPCI and most of the beneficiaries are poorest poor's, farmers, womens, etc and advised the banks for achieving 100 % aadhaar seeding and mapping with NPCI as a priority mode. She also expressed that in the month of May 2021 we will call a meeting with banks regarding aadhaar seeding and mapping with NPCI.

ACS & DC also requested e-governance department to provide pending account wise details regarding aadhaar seeding and mapping with NPCI to SLBC for taking up with banks.

(Action: e-governance department GoK, All Banks& LDMs)

12.2: Progress under Aadhaar and Mobile seeding in PMJDY a/cs:

Convenor informed that, % of Aadhaar seeding is 81.87 and % of mobile seeding is 74.32 as on 31.12.2020 in PMJDY a/cs.

Convenor requested, all member banks to encourage customers of new PMJDY and existing PMJDY accounts for Aadhaar and mobile seeding.

Member banks are requested to pay special attention to two aspirational districts – Raichur&Yadgir.

(Action: All Banks)

12.3: Progress under Online DBT Credits through AEPS in different schemes:

12.3.1: MGNREGA:

Convenor informed the house that as per the information provided by the department there are 78,91,527 **MGNREGA** workers' accounts in the state of which, 42,73,642 accounts have been enabled into Aadhaar Based Payment which works out to 54.15% as on 18.02.2021.

He told that, GoK is requested to extend necessary support in organising camps in the districts where achievement is less than 50% under Aadhaar based payment to MGNREGA workers' viz. Kolar, Bagalkote, Bangalore Urban, Vijayapura, Bidar, Kalburgi & Yadgir. SLBC requests Member Banks to improve Aadhaar seeding and mapping with special emphasis on Yadgir and Raichur districts.

Convenor requested the Dept. to share the Bank-wise list of pending beneficiary details for taking up with the respective Banks.

(Action: All member Banks, LDMs and RDPR)

12.4: Progress under Social Security Schemes:

Convenor informed the House that, the performance of banks in all the three Social Security Schemes (PMSBY4.89% growth, PMJJBY5.97% growth& APY6.47 % growth) during the December quarter 2020 has been satisfactory.

SLBC requested all the banks to give focused attention to extend the benefit of all these social security schemes to all eligible customers in their area of operation on a campaign mode.

He requested all the banks to create awareness through FLCs and facilitate achievement of INSURED and PENSIONED INDIA goal.

(Action: All member Banks and LDMs)

12.5: Providing add-on services through Toll Free Desk for addressing Public Grievances Redressal of Flagship programs like PMJDY, PMJJBY, PMSBY, APY, MUDRA and PMFBY:

Convenor told that, as on date, SLBC is yet to receive the reimbursement for the cost incurred over Toll free Number expenses for the period from April 2020 to January 2021 of Rs. 104136.80 each from 3 Banks namely Axis Bank, ICICI Bank and Bandhan Bank. SLBC requests the above mentioned Banks to do the needful without any further delay.

(Action: Axis Bank, ICICI Bank and Bandhan Bank)

He also told that, the cost incurred over Toll Free Number to be shared equally by the Banks having 50 or more branches in the state of Karnataka from 01.04.2021. The

number of branches as on 31.03.2021 will be taken as the benchmark for arriving the same.

The Banks with branches of 50 or more are requested to share the cost incurred over Toll Free Number from 01.04.2021.

(Action: For Banks with branches of 50 or more)

All member Banks and LDMs (For LDMs in DLRC/DCC/BLBC meeting) are requested to popularize this Toll-Free Number (1800 4259 7777) among their customers and also requested to display the details in branches regarding add-on services through Toll Free Desk with respect to PMJDY, PMJJBY, PMSBY, APY, MUDRA and PMFBY

(Action: All Banks & LDMs)

AGENDA 13: Government sponsored schemes

13.1 Performance under Govt Sponsored Schemes for the FY 2020-21:

Convener informed the house that, NRLM & PMEGP performance is good as compared to other Government Sponsored scheme.

ACS& DC congratulated the all-member banks for excellent performance under NRLM and PMEGP schemes and also opined that except NRLM and PMEGP scheme remaining scheme are dismal.

She also requested all member banks to sanction all pending application under Government sponsored scheme.

She has instructed to sponsoring agencies of state government to work together for improvement of Government sponsored schemes and requested to line department for recovery of NPA accounts under Government sponsored scheme in coordination with banks.

ACS &DC also requested all member banks to submit list of NPA accounts scheme wise and bank wise for recovery of overdue amount in coordination with banks and also informed that a special review meeting on Government sponsored scheme going to conduct shortly with all sponsoring agencies and Bankers in coordination with SLBC

Chief Secretary, GoK directed all banks to sanction all pending applications

(Action: Concerned Department, GoK and Banks)

13.1.1. Karnataka Sheep & Wool Development Corporation Ltd.,

Convenor informed the house that, as informed by department under Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services department for 2020-21, Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY-RAFTAAR) the Mobile Meat stall scheme is announced for Mobile Meat stall to Sheep & Wool producer's co-op societies.

He told that, as informed by Corporation, the target is 200 nos, one unit for one taluk and around 116 applications selected by department and financial institutes also provided sanction letters.

13.2 PMAY-U (Housing for All 2022) – CLSS:

13.2.1: CLSS

Convener informed the house that, Member banks have sanctioned around 53695 applications under PMAY (U) CLSS and Karnataka placed at 6th position in PAN-INDIA as on 31.12.2021 and also informed house that as on 31.03.2021 member bank have sanctioned 73124 no.of loans.

Chief Secretary, GoK opined that other state have sanctioned more loans under PMAY_CLSS as compared to Karnataka state and also requested member banks to sanction maximum loans under CLSS scheme

SLBC, Secretary Housing department GoK requested Member Banks to sanction maximum housing loan under PMAY_CLSS and PMAY AHP projects as government of Karnataka.

(Action: RGHCL, Housing Dept. Gok, ALL Banks & LDMs)

13.2.2 : Affordable Housing in Partnership (AHP)

Convener informed the house that, Member banks have issued Consent/In-principal sanctions to 101618 DUs and Sponsoring agencies are submitted only 15758 number of applications with KYC proof to member banks.

Convener SLBC requested to sponsoring agencies to submit complete set of applications as per our SOP.

Secretary housing has informed to house that detail on Bank linkage for ongoing and upcoming projects sponsored by both RGHCL & KSDB.

He also informed that out of 19242 (RGHCL) applications only Uttara Kannada Co-operative banks have sanctioned 71 loans but commercial banks have not sanctioned any single loan.

ACS &DC reviewed bank wise and district wise progress under AHP schemes and she has opined that Commercial banks performance under AHP is very poor even though our repeated meeting with banks.

CGM Canara bank informed that Canara bank have completed CIBIL clearance of eligible beneficiaries list provided by LDMs and also in-principal sanctions issued and He requested sponsoring agencies to submit complete set of applications as per SOP given by SLBC then we will sanction loan under AHP immediately to eligible beneficiaries.

ACS &DC instructed sponsoring agencies to submit applications as per SOP given by SLBC.

(Action: RGHCL, Housing Dept. Gok, ALL Banks & LDMs)

13.2.3. Rural Housing Interest Subsidy Scheme (RHSS):

Convener SLBC explained about RHSS scheme and also requested member Banks and LDMs for effective implementation RHSS scheme in Karnataka state.

13.3 CREDIT FLOW TO MINORITY COMMUNITIES

13.3.1: Progress under finance to Minority Communities in the state

Convener informed the house that there is outstanding of Rs. 47938 Crores to minority communities as on 31.12.2020 and he also that mandatory requirements of 15 % to PSA of minority has been achieved.

SLBC requested to member banks to sanction maximum loans to minority community in Karnataka state.

(Action: ALL Banks)

13.3.2: Progress under finance to Minority Communities in the identified districts of state

Convener informed the house that the flow of credit to minority communities in all the three-minority community concentrated districts has surpassed the mandatory level of 15% of total Priority Sector Advances of respective Districts.

SLBC requested Lead District Manager of Bidar (SBI) and Kalburgi (SBI) districts and Dakshina Kannada District (Canara Bank) for achievement of target under Credit flow to Minority.

(Action: LDMs Bidar and Kalburgi and Dakshina Kannada District)

13.4: Grant of Education Loans:

Convener informed the house that during the review period of the dec quarter 2020 of the FY 2020-21, various banks in the state of Karnataka have disbursed Education loans to the tune of Rs.1,286 Crores covering 67,424 students as against the annual financial target of Rs.7,725 Crores under both priority and non-priority segments.

The performance of banks in lending under Education loans as the percentage of achievement v/s target works out to 16.65% mainly due to the Covid 19 pandemic.

SLBC requested the member banks to sanction more number of education loans to all eligible and deserving students and reach the targets.

13.4.1: Disposal of Educational loans under RGLS:

Convener informed the house that, Department of Collegiate Education, Bengaluru and Bank of Baroda (BoB) are came to MoU agreement for Rajiv Gandhi Loan Scholarship Scheme to provide interest subsidy for education loans. Bank of Baroda also informed in their letter that they requested their corporate office to create web portal for lodging the subsidy claims.

Convener requested Bank of Baroda to provide portal details and also requested Department of Collegiate Education, Bengaluru to provide Scheme details, claim

procedure and targets, so that it will help the banks for proper implementation of scheme.

(Action: Department of Collegiate Education, Bengaluru, Bank of Baroda and ALL Banks)

13.5: Progress under SHG-Bank linkage/ Joint Liability Groups:

13.5.1. A: SELF HELP GROUPS:

Convenor informed the house that, Credit Linkage up to Dec 2020 quarter of FY 2020-21 of Rs. 5369.62 crores.

The house expressed that the Average finance per group is very less and requested member banks to examine properly while dispersing/processing the credit to SHGs.

(Action: All Banks)

13.5.2: JOINT LIABILITY GROUPS:

Convenor informed the house that, total disbursement up to Dec quarter FY 2020-21 is Rs.1451.81crores and also requested member banks to give focus on SHG/JLGs and achieve allocated targets.

(Action: LDM & All Banks)

13.6: Progress in Stand-Up India scheme as on 31.01.2021

Convenor told that due to COVID 19 banks couldn't sanction loans under this scheme in Dec quarter as expected. He told that, as on January 2021 banks have sanctioned an amount of Rs. 42.53 crores.

Convenor also informed about **Amendment of Stand-Up India scheme**

- (i) The extent of margin money to be brought by the borrower may be reduced from upto 25%' to 'upto 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. phis culture, beekeeping, poultry, livestock, rearing, grading, sorting, aggregation agro industries, dairy, fishery, agriclinic and agribusiness centers, 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.

Convenor requested banks to take necessary steps to actively implement the scheme with the above mentioned amendments.

Convenor also requested LDMs to place as an agenda in District Level Consultative Committee (DLCC). Further, the status of implementation of the scheme and related issues may be placed in the agenda of the regular meetings of the said committees.

(Action: All Banks & LDMs)

13.7: Progress in Sanctions under MUDRA scheme:

Convenor informed the house that, Member banks have sanctioned 2375419 MUDRA loans amounting to 15372.68 cr upto Dec 2020. Karnataka state has secured number 1st position with respect to MUDRA loan sanctions and disbursements in the country.

Convenor requested all the Banks to implement the scheme in a big way in the State in FY 2021-22 also.

(Action: All Banks)

AGENDA 14: CD ratio, review of districts with CD ratio below 60% and working of special sub-committees of DCC (SCC)

14.1: Districts with CD Ratio of less than 60% as on December 2020:

Convenor informed the house that, Uttara Kannada district has shown improvement in CD Ratio, the CD Ratio of Udupi district has reduced in comparison to December 2019 quarter due to high increase in deposits.

He requested, DCs and LDMs to continue necessary measures in this regard and continuously monitor the same in their special subcommittee and DCC meetings. It is informed by the LDMs of these districts that District level Sub-committee is formed to review Bank wise CD ratio. Sub-committee meetings were held in Udupi on 25.03.2021 and Uttara Kannada on 18.03.2021 to review the status.

All member Banks in the district were advised to reach the CD Ratio target of 60% for every quarter by the respective DCs & LDMs.

(Action: LDMs & DCs, All Banks, SLBC)

AGENDA 15: Position of NPAs in respect of schematic lending, certificate cases and recovery of NPAs

15.1: Non-Performing assets position as on 31.12.2020:

AGENDA: 15: Position of NPAs in respect of schematic lending, certificate cases and recovery of NPAs

Convenor has informed the house that total non-Performing assets position as on 31.12.2020 is 48722.17crores.

ACS & DC again pointed about non-receipt of data from banks and advised banks to provide the list of NPA accounts under different sectors, so that state government extend help regarding recovery of NPA loans.

(Action: ALL Banks)

15.2: Recovery of bank dues under PMEGP

Convenor informed the house that under PMEGP share of NPA is 19.52 % and requested the concerned depts. to extend necessary support to banks for recovery.

ACS & DC advised the banks to provide the list of accounts due/NPA under PMEGP and so that GoK will provide necessary support for recovery of loans through KVIC, KVIB & DIC department.

KVIC, KVIB & DIC department also expressed that, they are ready to provide support for recovery loans to banks.

(Action: Banks, KVIC, KVIB & DIC bankers)

15.3: Recovery of bank dues under KPMR & KACOMP Acts:

Convenor requested the departments and the banks to arrange more and more joint recovery drives in association with Revenue Officials to improve recovery in RC filed cases. SLBC also requests LDMs to coordinate the joint recovery drives in a big way.

(Action Revenue Dept. & All LDMs and Banks)

15.4 Recovery of bank dues under SARFAESI, DRT & LOK ADALATS Acts:

Convenor informed the house that, total of 2567 cases under SARFAESI are pending with District Magistrate's in district for clearance.

SLBC requested State government to issue necessary directions to the concerned for expeditious disposal of all pending application cases under SARFAESI, DRT & LOK ADALATS Acts.

(Action: ALL Banks, SLBC & GoK)

AGENDA16: REVIEW OF RESTRUCTURING OF LOANS IN NATURAL CALAMITY AFFECTED DISTRICTS IN THE STATE, IF ANY

Convenor informed the house that, Revenue Department (Disaster Management), GoK has issued new notification with crop loss vide GoK order No.RD 644 TNR 2020: Bengaluru, dated: 01.02.2021 and same has been circulated to all member banks and Lead district Manager

SLBC, therefore, requested all member banks to extend the relief measures to all the eligible farmers as per the extant guidelines of RBI.

(Action: ALL Banks)

AGENDA 17: Discussions on policy initiatives of the Central/State Government/RBI (Industrial Policy, MSME Policy, Agriculture Policy, Start-Up Policy, etc.), and expected involvement of banks (DISCUSSION ON POLICY INITIATIVES OF GOI, GoK, RBI AND NABARD):

17.1: Promotion of Organic Farming - RBI:

The agriculture department informed that, Joida taluk of Uttara Kannada district is selected as Organic farming taluk for implementation.

Convenor requested, Agricultural Department-Organic cell to provide road map & suitable action plan for transformation of identified area and banks are also requested to support for implementation of organic farming in Joida Taluk by extending finance to all eligible farmers expeditiously.

(Action: Agricultural Department, Organic Cell-GoK & All Banks)

18: Doubling of farmers Income by 2022-Developing Benchmarks for monitoring at different Fora:

Convener, SLBC informed to house that, as per RBI directives Doubling of farmer's income by 2022 is to be reviewed in BLBC, DCC/DLRC and SLBC meetings as a regular agenda item.

He told that, SLBC in coordination with member banks and LDMs taken up the KCC saturation for PM Kisan beneficiaries, Dairy farmers connected with milk unions, fish farmers and fish catchers to provide sufficient working capital in the hands of the farmers to enhance the liquidity position to take up timely agricultural operations to boost the income of the farmers.

In view of the thrust given the GOI for doubling farmers' income by the year 2022, Convenor SLBC requested all the member banks to provide KCC/working capital to farmers as per the banks terms and condition in timely manner, and to loans under Agri infrastructure fund scheme and One district One product scheme-ODOP, thereby farmers are able transport, store for longer time and value additional for the produce to fetch higher prices for the produce and double the farmers income by year 2022.

SLBC requested all the LDMs to review the progress of Doubling of farmer's income by year 2022 as per bench mark parameters provided by RBI at DCC, DLRC and BLBC meetings.

(Action: LDMs & All banks)

AGENDA 19: Discussion on improving rural infrastructure/ credit absorption capacity

Convenor informed the house that, the agenda related to Agri infrastructure fund (AIF) scheme and Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF) under AatmaNirbhar Bharat Abhiyan are provided in agenda no 25.4 and 25.5 respectively.

AGENDA 20: Digitalization of Land records (Steps taken for improving land record, progress in digitization of land records and seamless loan disbursements)

20.1: Bhoomi Bank Integration System:

20.1a: Automation of remittance of Mutation Charges by banks to GoK:

Convenor informed the house that, the Bhoomi monitoring cell is providing one new option thro' online payment gateway application for remittance of mutation charges for all participating banks for which SOP is being sought.

(Action: All Banks, & Bhoomi Monitoring Cell, GoK)

20.1b: Bhoomi- Bank Integration System – Issues:

Convenor informed the house that, the member banks are facing different types of issues in bhoomi bank integration system, like.

- Bhoomi Bank application is not fetching,
- Charge is not appearing in the land records (RTC) in the cases for which initiated charge creation through Bhoomi Bank Integration application, etc.

In House, member banks are requested to escalate the issues directly and Bhoomi monitoring cell-GoK to arrange for solving Bhoomi-Bank integration issues expeditiously.

(Action: All Banks, & Bhoomi Monitoring Cell, GoK)

AGENDA 21 : Sharing of success stories and new initiatives at the district level that can be replicated in other districts or across the State

Convenor informed the house about the, success story of Smt. Priyadarshini trained from RSETI Shidlaghatta, Chikkaballapur district under Beauty Parlor Management from 11.01.2021 to 10.02.2021 as shared by State Director of RSETIs.

Chief Secretary, GoK advised the State Director of RSETIs to guide properly to RSETIs for selection of training programme, because by some training subject only 3 to 4 youth will get employment in the taluk, because I will get saturate in that taluk like Beauty parlor subject.

(Action: State Director of RSETIs)

AGENDA 22 : ISSUES REMAINING UNRESOLVED AT DCC/DLRC MEETING

Convenor informed the house that, some of the banks like Axis Bank, ICICI bank, Kotak Mahindra Bank, Indian overseas banks & Catholic Syrian Bank are not attending regularly for DCC/DLRC meeting as informed by LDM Kalaburgi.

Convenor requested, all member banks state controlling office to advise their banks district coordinators to attend DCC/DLRC meeting regularly.

(Action: Axis Bank, ICICI bank, Kotak Mahindra Bank, Indian overseas banks & Catholic Syrian Bank & All Banks).

Convenor informed the house about the issues of Ingaleshwar & Tadawalaga branches of Kotak Mahindra Bank as it was discussed in DCC meeting of Vijayapura.

1. Branches are not at all entertaining any applications referring to PS Advances, KCC loans & other Govt Sponsored schemes.
2. Branches are not responding to LDM reminder letters in attending to customer complaints.

Chief Secretary, GoK instructed State controlling coordinator of Kotak Mahindra Bank to advise your Ingaleshwar & Tadawalaga branches for providing proper service to customer, sanctioning Priority Sector Advances, KCC loans & other Govt Sponsored schemes.

He also instructed, both the branches to submit fortnightly report for sectioning of loans (Priority Sector Advances, KCC loans & other Govt Sponsored schemes) to LDMs. LDMs again has to submit the same to SLBC with feedback.

State coordinator of Kotak Mahindra Bank, has to monitor these branches very minutely and submit fortnightly report for sectioning of loans by these branches to SLBC.

(Action: LDM, Vijayapura, Ingaleshwar & Tadawalaga branches of Kotak Mahindra Bank, State Coordinator of Kotak Mahindra Bank)

Convenor requested, LDMs to conduct DCC and DLRC meeting regularly for each quarter as per time guidelines and also advised to send any unresolved issues of meeting for placing it for SLBC.

(Action: LDMs)

He also requested LDM controlling office of banks (Canara Bank, SBI, UBI & BoB), Karnataka State to advise your LDMs to conduct the DCC/DLRC as per prescribed / mandated schedules in future and ensure us for conducted DCC/DLRC meetings regularly for each quarter by your LDMs.

(Action: LDM controlling office of banks Canara Bank, SBI, UBI & BoB)

AGENDA 23: TIMELY SUBMISSION OF DATA BY BANK, ADHEREING TO THE SCHEDULE OF SLBC MEETING

Convenor requested member banks to provide quarterly data to portal within **within 15 days from the closure of the quarter** and non-submitted banks information will be escalated to their top managements and RBI.

The Convenor requested all member Banks to update the data in Revamped Portal after due comparison with the existing portal data and he once again informed the banks that from **01.04.2021 banks have to provide data only in Revamped Portal.**

(Action: All Member Banks)

Convenor requested, all the Govt. departments to submit the status of the schemes implemented by them-"Bank wise" and "District wise, so that the "Bank wise" and "District wise" performance can be effectively reviewed and discussed in the concerned SLBC sub committee meetings and then a compact note can be placed in the regular SLBC meetings. He informed that, while furnishing the information, the Govt. Departments are requested to provide the Bank wise details as under:

- Target allocated (Physical and financial as applicable)
- Applications sponsored (No. and amount involved)
- Applications sanctioned (No. and amount sanctioned)
- Applications rejected (No.)
- Applications pending (No.)

(Action: Line Department GoK)

LDMs are requested to review district wise performance/ progress in BLBC and DCC/DLRC meetings effectively.

(Action: LDMs)

AGENDA 24: SUB COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD DURING THE REVIEW PERIOD:

Convenor informed house that all the Sub-Committee meeting were conducted except in case of Sub-committee on Retail Loans.

Chief Secretary, GoK advised Chairman (Principal Secretary, Housing Dept., and GoK) and Convenor (Bank of Baroda) of SLBC Sub-committee on Retails Loans to conduct meeting regularly.

{Action: Chairman (Principal Secretary, Housing Dept., GoK) and Convenor (Bank of Baroda)}

Convenor requested the SLBC Sub-committee convenors to conduct meeting regularly, without any delay, so that SLBC can place the proceedings of sub-committees in SLBC meeting.

(Action: Convenors of all SLBC Sub-Committees, Canara Bank, SBI, UBI, BOB & State Director for RESETIs, Karnataka)

AGENDA 25: AatmaNirbhar Bharat Abhiyan

25.1: ECLGS for Existing MSME borrowers during COVID-19 situation:

Convener SLBC informed house that the last date of sanction and disbursement of fund-based loans under ECLGS 1.0, 2.0 and 3.0 has been extended upto 30.06.2021 and 30.09.2021 respectively. With regard to non-fund-based facility under ECLGS 2.0, the date by which first tranche should be utilized has been extended upto September 30.2021 or till guarantees for an amount of Rs. 3 lakh crores are issued by NCGTC, whichever is earlier.

Convener also informed that in our state, member banks have sanctioned 196890 accounts with amount of Rs.8125 crores under ECLGS 1.0 scheme against total eligible amount of Rs 10609 crores as on 31.12.2020.

General Manager, UBI has explained detail on ECLGS scheme.

The Chief Secretary, GoK has appreciated performance of all banks under ECLGS scheme.

25.2: PMSVANidhi scheme & Socio Economic profiling:

Convener informed that as on 03.04.2021 position of the above scheme, member banks have sanctioned 125968 accounts against total applications 239305 applied by street vendors under PMSVANidhi scheme and Karnataka secured 4th place in PAN India.

Convener SLBC requested all member banks to pay special attention to pendency in sanction and disbursement and also requested to revisit the already rejected applications.

ACS, Skill development, GoK has reviewed Bank wise and district wise progress and also progress in BBMP area under PMSVANdhi scheme and he opined that performance of BBMP area under this scheme is very poor and also requested to revisit the rejected applications

BBMP Special commissioner has expressed his dissatisfaction about performance of PMSVANidhi scheme in BBMP area even though their repeated request and camps and also informed that certain bank managers not aware about the scheme and scheme guideline.

ACS & DC has opined that PMSVANidhi performance in Bangalore urban and BBMP is very poor and also advised to BBMP to organize one special review meeting with bankers in coordination with SLBC.

ED, Canara Bank informed to house that Canara Bank progress under PMSVANidhi scheme is very good and Bank has repeatedly conducted review meeting with circle offices and ROs in Karnataka state.

(Action: NULM, GoK and ALL Banks & LDMS)

25.3: New Centrally Sponsored Scheme for "PM - Formalization of Micro food Processing Enterprises (PM FME)"

Convener informed the house about the details of the scheme and he also told that GOI has created portal <https://mofpi.nic.in/pmfmf/> and advised member banks to login said portal for further information and guidelines.

Convener requested GoK to source applications to banks for sanctions and disbursements to issue guidelines to agricultural department.

(Action: Line Department & All Banks)

ACS & DC instructed Special secretary of PM FME, AIF, AHIDF, Agricultural department, and Horticultural department to call meeting in coordination with SLBC to banks, NABARD to provide suitable information/guidelines to banks on the scheme in the next month.

(Action: Special officer of PM FME, AIF, AHIDF, Agricultural department, Horticultural department, & All Banks).

25.4: Agri infrastructure fund scheme:

Special Secretary GoK on AIF informed the house that, Bank has to submit fortnightly progress report, each district has to conduct Mela/Town hall meeting to popularise the scheme and to guide branches on AIF and requested to provide nodal officer/bank for each district.

Convener informed the house that, target has been already allocated to all the member banks in consultation with NABARD for FY 2020-21 and as per the GoK advise, nodal bank has been allotted to each district to coordinate participation of banks in Bank Mela/Town Hall meeting.

ACS & DC instructed Special secretary of PM FME, AIF, AHIDF, Agricultural department, and Horticultural department to call meeting in coordination with SLBC to banks, NABARD to provide suitable information/guideline's to banks on the scheme in the next month.

(Action: Special officer of PM FME, AIF, AHIDF, Agricultural department, Horticultural department, & All Banks).

25.5: Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF)

Convener informed the house that, Prime Minister's recently announced AatmaNirbhar Bharat Abhiyan stimulus package mentioned about setting up of Rs.15,000 crores animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund (AHIDF). He told that, the Animal Husbandry Infrastructure Development Fund has been approved for incentivizing investments by individual entrepreneurs, private companies, MSME, Farmers Producers Organization's (FPOs) and section 8 companies to establish (i) the dairy processing and value addition infrastructure, (ii). Meat processing and value addition infrastructure and (iii) Animal Feed Plant.

SLBC requested all member banks to advise the concerned branches to dispose off the applications as per extant guidelines.

(Action: All Banks)

ACS & DC instructed Special secretary of PM FME, AIF, AHIDF, Agricultural department, and Horticultural department to call meeting in coordination with SLBC to banks, NABARD to provide suitable information/guidelines to banks on the scheme in the next month.

(Action: Special officer of PM FME, AIF, AHIDF, Agricultural department, Horticultural department, & All Banks).

AGENDA 26 : Other Issues

26.1: Digital District: Expanding and Deepening of Digital Payments Ecosystem in Raichur District:

The convener informed the house regarding progress made by banks in the digital district of Raichur as on 31.03.21 is as follows.

- a) out of the the total number of operative Savings bank accounts of 1618013, accounts covered with at least one of the facilities namely Debit/Rupay cards, net banking, mobile banking, UPI, USSD were 1617207 and percentage of such accounts to total operative accounts was 99.95%.
- b) out of the total number of operative Current Accounts of 26851, number of accounts covered with at least one of digital modes of payments i.e. Net Banking, POS and QR code are 26529 i.e. 98.80%.
- c) 942 Financial Literacy, camps on Digital Financial Literacy were conducted and participants were about 38071.

RBI requested, conformation from SLBC Sub-Committee Bank on 100% achievement.

RBI RD in his speech advised to do Expanding and Deepening of Digital Payments Ecosystem in another couple of districts (for digitalization of districts) in Karnataka.

(Action: Convenor: SLBC Sub-Committee Deepening of Digital Payments)

26.2. Implementation of Kannada language by Banks.

Convenor informed the house that, SLBC has received several references from The President, Kannada Abhivruddi Pradhikara, and GoK regarding better implementation of Kannada in bank branches in Karnataka state.

Hence, all member banks and LDMs are requested to ensure

- 1) Availability of account opening forms, loan applications, challans etc., in Kannada language in the branches.
- 2). Use Kannada language in bank ATMs, BNAs, Sign boards, letter heads and bank/branch seal.

LDMs are requested to ensure the above said aspects in DLRC, DCC and BLBC meetings with district coordinators of banks and bank branch Managers.

Convenor requested all member banks to ensure above details and send confirmation to SLBC and same will be reviewed in next SLBC meeting.

(Action: All Banks & LDMs)

24.9 PERFORMANCE OF KARNATAKA FARMERS RESOURCE CENTRE, BAGALKOT (KFRC) THE PERFORMANCE WILL BE REVIEWED IN KFRC OF TRUSTEES.

Convener, SLBC Karnataka has informed that, the functioning of KFRC being reviewed on quarterly basis through Board of Trustees meeting. On 02.02.2021, 31st BoT was held under the chairmanship of Convener, SLBC Karnataka.

26.4 New initiative by member banks for improving customer service:

Airtel payment bank has developed one new initiative that, even though the fraudsters obtain the OTP and other personnel details, final message will go to customer's mobile to opt for "yes or No" for accepting/rejecting of the transactions.

Convenor requested all member banks to take new initiative to secure customer hard earned money from fraudulent.

(Action: All Banks)

TABLE AGENDA:

Table Agenda1: Convenor informed the house regarding IBA Management Committee vide its meeting dt. 21.04.21, having taken note of the rapidly spreading Covid19 in the present second wave at alarming levels i.e. increased positivity and mortality rates, issued guidelines and advisory to all the Banks to take all the necessary precautionary measures as well as ensure continued banking services particularly thro' ADCs.

Convenor informed the house & Chief Secretary GoK that, advisory has been issued for the banks in Karnataka by SLBC with the following major guidelines similar to those observed during 2020 covid19 first phase to break the spread of virus in the state.

Brief of advisory:

- The Banking business hours shall be from 10.00 am to 2.00 PM and working hours from 10.00 am to 4.00 PM (Both for administrative offices & Branches) effective from 22.04.2021 till 31.05.2021. Same shall be review on 31.05.2021.
- Administrative offices and Branches to function with reduced staff, preferably around 50 %.
- Only basic banking services like 1. Cash transaction, 2. Clearing services, 3. Remittances and 4. Government business & transactions to be extended by branches till 31.05.2021.

Table Agenda 2: Request for Vaccination to All Bank Employees in the State:

Convenor requested the Chief Secretary GoK regarding vaccination to bank staff and he brief the present situation of bank staff that:

- As majority of the officers & staff of banks, insurance companies, NPCI, BCs and other service providers in the state couldn't get vaccinated so far in view of demographic composition – those with less than 45 years age being in large numbers.
- In the present second wave of Covid this category is getting affected and need immediate vaccination to ensure better banking services in the state.
- Recently GOI has opened up vaccination to all persons above the age of 18 years from 01st May 2021.

Keeping this in view, it was suggested that all state Governments to put in place a special dispensation for bankers to avail vaccination easily and on priority basis (REF: DFS:MOF:GOI LR NO DO:12/1/2020-BO-II DT. 22.04.21)

Convenor SLBC requested Chief Secretary GoK to advise the Medical & Health Department and DCs / DMs suitably in this regard to organize special vaccination camps to employees of financial sector i.e. Banks, Insurance Companies, BCs, NPCI and other service providers both Technical & Financial at various centres in all the districts.

(Action: GoK)

Conclusion

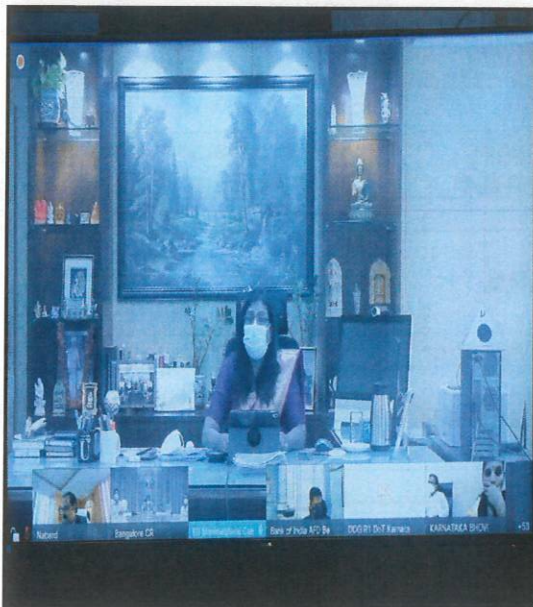
The 153rd SLBC meeting concluded by proposing *Vote of thanks* by Shri. Srinivas Rao, General Manager, Union Bank of India.



(B. Chandrasekhara Rao)
Convenor, SLBC Karnataka
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7	Dr.Raj Kumar Khatri	Addl. Chief Secretary	Agriculture Department (Through VC)
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12	Manoj Ranjan	Special Secretary, Food Processing-GoK	PMFME, AIF (Through VC)
13	Sunil Kurtkoti	Advisor	Finance Department (Through VC)
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28	Hemanth C V	Manager	Canara Bank
29	Harikrishna	Asst. Manager	Canara Bank

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38	Shreenath Joshi	Chairman	Karnataka Gramin Bank
39	P. Gopi Krishna	Chairman	KVGB
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