

MINUTES OF 131ST STATE LEVEL BANKERS' COMMITTEE MEETING (SLBC) FOR GUJARAT STATE FOR THE QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER, 2011 HELD ON 1ST DECEMBER, 2011 AT AUDITORIUM, DENA BANK, ASHRAM ROAD, AHMEDABAD

The above meeting was held on 1st December, 2011 which was presided over by **Smt. Nupur Mitra**, Chairperson, SLBC and Chairperson & Managing Director, Dena Bank. The meeting was co-chaired by **Shri A.K. Joti**, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Gujarat and also attended, among others, by **Ms. Sreya Guha**, Director, Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India, **Smt. Sangeeta Singh**, IAS, Principal Secretary, Women & Child Development Department, Govt. of Gujarat, **Shri Sanjay Prasad**, IAS, Principal Secretary, Social Justice & Empowerment Department, Govt. of Gujarat, **Shri L. Chauango**, IAS, Secretary (Expenditure), Finance Department, Govt. of Gujarat, **Shri R.S. Meena**, Addl. Commissioner, Rural Development Department, Govt. of Gujarat, **Shri Arun Kumar M. Solanki**, IAS, Secretary, Cottage & Rural Industries, Govt. of Gujarat, **Shri P.L. Darbar**, IAS, Commissioner, Cottage & Rural Industries, Govt. of Gujarat, **Shri Manish K. Verma**, Addl. Secretary & Director (IF), Finance Department, Govt. of Gujarat, **Smt. Deepalipant Joshi**, CGM, Central Office, Reserve Bank of India, **Shri Sudarshan Sen**, Regional Director, RPCD, Reserve Bank of India, **Shri H.R. Dave**, CGM, NABARD, **Shri N. Ravichandran**, General Manager, State Bank of India, **Shri Rajesh Kumar**, General Manager, RPCD, Reserve Bank of India, **Shri O.P. Dua**, General Manager, Union Bank of India, **Shri T. Balasubramaniam**, General Manager, Bank of India, **Shri N. Xavier Thomas**, General Manager, Indian Overseas Bank, **Shri R.K. Gupta**, General Manager, Dena Bank, Corporate Office, Mumbai, **Shri Suresh N. Patel**, Convenor - SLBC, **Shri S.K. Shaw**, Dy. General Manager, Bank of Baroda, and other senior executives from various Banks, Insurance Companies, Financial Institutions, Govt. departments etc. The list of participants is enclosed.

Shri Suresh N. Patel, Convenor - SLBC, Field General Manager, (Gujarat), Dena Bank, while extending hearty welcome to all the participants, stated that this is the first SLBC meeting which is attended by **Smt. Nupur Mitra**, CMD after taking over charge of Dena Bank. He expressed sincere thanks to Shri A.K.Joti, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Gujarat for making it convenient to attend the meeting. He also thanked **Smt. Shreya Guha**, Director, Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India and **Smt. Deepalipant Joshi**, CGM, RPCD, Reserve Bank of India, Central Office, Mumbai.

He then requested **Smt. Nupur Mitra** to deliver her key-note address.

Smt. Nupur Mitra, Chairperson of SLBC and Chairperson & Managing Director, Dena Bank extended hearty welcome to Shri A.K. Joti, Smt. Shreya Guha, Smt. Deepalipant Joshi and other dignitaries on the dais and participants from RBI, NABARD, Banks, Govt. Departments and Insurance Companies. Expressing pleasure being a part of SLBC forum, she mentioned that this is her first meeting after having taken over the charge as a Chairperson & Managing Director on 1st November, 2011 of Dena Bank.

She expressed hope that full cooperation would continue to be received from all the members for effective functioning of this forum, more particularly in achievement of the Financial Inclusion and covering all eligible farmers under Kisan Credit Cards.

She said that out of 3502 villages identified for providing banking services during the year 2010-2012, Banks have yet to cover 1652 villages and requested Member Banks for making aggressive efforts to cover identified villages by March 2012.

She referred to the Govt. of India's communication directing all the Banks to launch a special campaign from 1st December 2011 to 15th December, 2011 for issuance of Kisan Credit Cards to all the uncovered eligible farmers and coverage of non-farmer groups under General Credit Cards (GCC).

She stated that as per the directives, each branch has to announce a particular day on which officers of the branch will visit each village falling in service area and on that day applications for opening accounts and KCC / GCC will be collected, checked and approved and next day the same would be made available in the village by one of the functionaries of the branch. At the end of the campaign, branch has to certify that there is no farmer / non-farmer living in the village who could not be given KCC / GCC as the case may be.

She requested Member Banks to gear up their machinery and launch an aggressive campaign to cover all the eligible farmer / non farmers under the fold of KCC / GCC before 15th December, 2011

She expressed happiness in informing that SLBC is regularly reviewing the progress under Special IBA Package to MSME, Housing and Auto Sectors and informed that Banks have granted housing loans to 116946 borrowers amounting to Rs. 13755.54 crore. Banks have also granted auto loans amounting to Rs. 5452.03 crore covering 147297 borrowers. She also stated that there is a plenty of scope for financing to MSME and Bankers should rededicate ourselves to reach each and every artisan.

She then reviewed some of the important banking parameters and concerns where immediate remedial action is required by banks, Govt. agencies and other organizations.

She noted that 54 branches have been added during the quarter ended Sept., 2011 taking total no. of branches to 6515. She said that 146 licences are pending for opening of bank branches and requested the concerned banks to expedite opening of the branches so that momentum of credit flow to agriculture and Priority Sector is sustained further.

She requested member banks to open a regular brick and mortar branch within their service area in larger habitations with population of 5000 and above by September 2012 in the under banked districts as listed by the RBI. Such branches could initially have lesser staff, say 2 persons, with ATM facilities. The staff strength could be increased as the business grows.

She noted that the deposits in the State grew by 4.36% during the quarter ended Sept., 2011 as against a growth of 4.06% recorded during the corresponding quarter of the previous year. The growth rate on Y-o-Y basis up to Sept., 2011 stood at 22.00% for the State of Gujarat as against growth rate of 16.7 % for all India basis. Similarly, the advances showed a growth of 2.21% during the quarter under review as against a growth of 2.41% during September, 2010. However, the growth rate on Y-o-Y basis up to Sept., 2011 stood at 23.00%, in the State as compared to 19.5 % for all India basis.

She said that CD ratio has shown marginal increase of 0.55% over Sept., 2010 and stood at 67.43%. She mentioned that there is one major important factor i.e. Bigger industries of the State are being financed from Banks outside the State and if that amount is considered the CD Ratio would come to 87.31%. She, however, expressed concern in respect of 7 districts where CD Ratio was below 40% and felt the need for making special efforts to improve the CD Ratio in these districts.

She noted that the achievement under Priority Sector Advances at 41.42% is above the benchmark of 40% whereas achievement under Agriculture advances has declined marginally and stood at 16.45%. She further noted that advances to Weaker Sections at 6.98% are below the benchmark of 10% and advised for initiation of efforts for boosting the performance under agriculture and weaker section advances.

She expressed satisfaction over performance under Service Area Credit Plan and said that it was 48.76%. The highest percentage achievement was recorded in AVCI & SSI at 62.43%, followed by at Agri. & Allied sectors 48.40% and Trade & Services at 38.88%.

She also noted that the number of KCC have increased from 24.05 lakh as of Sept., 2010 to 27.02 lakh as of Sept., 2011. She mentioned that although the number of farmers covered under Kisan Credit Card has shown increase, however, Banks have to make aggressive efforts to provide more Kisan credit cards to the eligible and uncovered farmers as advised by Govt. of India before 15th December, 2011.

She observed that there are 1.78 lakhs cases are pending under State Recovery Act with an amount of Rs 378.25 crore and requested the State Government to continue its support by their revenue officials towards recovery so that recycling of funds would improve.

She further noted that the Banks have achieved the target under PMEGP, however the performance under SJSRY and SGSY as of Sept., 2011 has declined when compared with performance as of Sept., 2010. Regarding performance under State Sponsored Programmes, she noted that it has declined under Vajpayee Bankable Scheme, Gujarat Schedule Caste Development Corporation and Jyoti Gram Vikas Yojana (JGVY) over Sept., 2010

She requested banks to dispose of all the pending applications under the Govt. Sponsored Programmes and the implementing agencies of the State Government

Department to issue suitable instructions down the line to release subsidies so that targets are achieved well in time with their active cooperation.

She expressed sincere thanks to the State Govt. for its continued support and cooperation in the implementation of various development programmes aimed at economic well being of the people.

She was also grateful to RBI, NABARD and Ministry of Finance for their continued support and guidance to this forum in discharging its responsibility in a responsive and meaningful manner.

Agenda No.1

Confirmation of the proceedings of last meeting.

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that the proceedings of the 130th State Level Bankers' Committee (SLBC) Meeting for the quarter ended June, 2011 held on 18.08.2011 were circulated to all the members on 27th September, 2011. Since no comments / amendments have been received from any of the members, the House confirmed the same.

Agenda No.2

FOLLOW-UP ACTION ON DECISIONS TAKEN IN LAST MEETING :

2.1 Allotment of Land by State Government for Setting up of Rural Self Employment Training Institutes (RSETIs)

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that the allocation of land is yet to be finalised in 3 districts viz. Gandhinagar, Panchmahals and Dangs and requested Rural Development Department to expedite the same.

While reviewing the settlement ratio of the trainees trained through various RSETIs, he informed that the same has been improved and has reached to 56.22% as of September, 2011. However, there is a lot of gap in the targeted BPL beneficiaries to be trained and the achievement needs to be improved.

(Action : All RSETIs)

2.2 Conversion of Financial Literacy and Credit Counseling Centres (FLCCCs) as per model scheme circulated by RBI

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that in order to cover all the districts with FLCCCs, requested Bank of Baroda to initiate the action in the districts viz. Tapi and Dangs where FLCCCs are yet to be set up

Progress in conversion of FLCCCs as per RBI Model Scheme

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that each Lead Bank has to expedite the matter to convert the existing FLCCCs as per RBI Model Scheme.

2.3 Interest Subsidy for Housing the Urban Poor (ISHUP)-the practice for implementation of ISHUP

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that in 130th SLBC, the Addl. Secretary, Urban Housing and Urban Development Department of State Govt. Stated that the State Govt. have taken stand that the scheme is not feasible for implementation in the State of Gujarat and same has been informed to Govt. of India. Accordingly, the issue may be dropped for further follow up.

2.4 Hindrance in selling the property belonging to Scheduled Tribes as part of recovery process

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that since the captioned matter is related to single incidence and remains unresolved for the last three SLBC meetings and requested the House to accord its approval for dropping of the same. House approved for dropping of the said issue.

2.5 Issue relating to waiver of Stamp Duty and Enhancement of Credit limits for exemption of Stamp Duty to all types of Self Help Groups (SHGs), including Sakhi Mandals

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that exemption of stamp duty to all types of Self Help Groups (SHGs), including Sakhi Mandals and Joint Liability Groups (JLGs) as the present exemption period expires on 19.12.2011. He also informed that that the Commissioner & Principal Secretary, Rural Development Department, Govt. of Gujarat has also taken the matter with the Revenue Department.

(Action : Revenue Department, Govt. of Gujarat)

2.6 Double Stamp Duty for the property taken in possession by Banks under SARFAESI Act, 2002

As decided in 130th SLBC meeting, SLBC Secretariat vide its letter dtd. 4th October, 2011 requested the Revenue Department, Govt. of Gujarat to inform the action initiated on the above issue so that it can be placed before the house of next SLBC meeting.

As no communication is received and no further discussion has taken place, the issue remains unresolved.

(Action : Revenue Department, Govt. of Gujarat)

2.7 1% Interest Subvention on Housing loans sanctioned to Public upto Rs.15.00 lakhs under Public Housing loan Schemes

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that as decided in 130th SLBC meeting, SLBC Secretariat vide its letter dtd. 4th October, 2011 requested RBI to inform further developments taken by their Central Office on the captioned issue.

RBI, Ahmedabad vide its letter dtd. 13th October, 2011 has informed that they the matter has been referred to Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India for examination and further developments in this regard would be communicated on receipt of the same from Govt. of India.

2.8 National Agriculture Insurance Scheme (NAIS) - Farmer wise details for Kharif - 2011

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that as advised by the Chairman, SLBC in 130th SLBC meeting, a Committee of 4-5 major banks including State Co-operative Bank met on 24th September, 2011 to work out the feasible solution and inform to the AIC of India / State Govt. Accordingly, the Committee after a detailed discussion decided to inform AIC of India that farmer wise, survey numberwise cropping pattern is not possible to provide. At present only the farmerwise, cropwise, total area sown and credit limit sanctions for that is available with the financing branches. So if such detail is required for a specific area, then that can be compiled and made available. The decision of the Committee was conveyed to Joint Director Agriculture (Account), Office of Director Agriculture, Govt. of Gujarat with a copy to AIC of India vide SLBC letter dtd. 30th September, 2011.

He requested Member Banks to take note of the same.

2.9 Request of Govt. of Gujarat for making BPL beneficiaries of State Sponsored Housing Schemes eligible for Housing Loans under DRI Scheme

In 130th SLBC meeting, the Commissioner & Principal Secretary, Rural Development Department, Govt. of Gujarat had informed that the beneficiaries of housing schemes of various departments of the State Government are from BPL families and therefore the preferential treatment to consider only SC/ST beneficiaries under DRI scheme needs to be re-examined and the Chairman of SLBC requested RBI to look into the matter.

RBI vide its letter dtd. 10th November, 2011 has informed that “our CO who have reiterated that in terms of the extant instructions only SC / ST beneficiaries are eligible for housing loan under DRI Scheme”.

Shri Suresh N. Patel requested the House to take the note of the same.

2.10 Review of progress under SACP - Agriculture Advances

While reviewing the progress under SACP 2011-12 upto June, 2011, the Chairman of SLBC advised to ensure the growth in Agriculture Sector, the progress needs to be monitored on monthly basis and advised for constitution of Agriculture Credit Committee under the leadership of NABARD consisting 5-6 major banks, RBI and various Departments of State Government as its members.

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that the meeting was held on 21.11.2011 and the Committee discussed various issues for increasing the Agriculture Advances. One of the initiatives is to fix the unit cost for purchase of Milch animals of different breeds and which was finalised and circulated to all the Member Banks.

2.11 Financial Inclusion - Awareness Campaign at the Ground Level - Meeting with Banks

As advised in 130th SLBC meeting, SLBC Secretariat vide its letter dtd. 4th October, 2011 requested the Dy. Chief Executive, IBA, Mumbai to inform the convenient date for arranging meeting of Banks for creating awareness for Financial Inclusion at the Ground Level.

IBA vide its letter No. FI/AC/4373 dtd. 31st October, 2011 has informed that SLBC may be guided by the ‘Swabhimaan’ campaign material. The campaign kit consists of brand-book and DVDs contains the entire material that was released during the ‘Swabhimaan’ launch function at New Delhi on 10th February, 2011.

They have suggested to go ahead with the meeting and taking into account the local conditions make appropriate use of the campaign material for spreading awareness amongst the target audience.

Shri Suresh N. Patel requested FIP Allottee Banks to organise awareness campaign in their respective areas by making use of the DVDs already made available.

(Action : FIP Allottee Banks)

2.12 High Level Committee to review Lead Bank Scheme - Providing banking services in village having population of over 2000 by March, 2012

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that upto September, 2011, out of 3502 villages identified for providing banking services under FIP, FIP allottee banks have ensured banking services in 1854 villages and still 1648 villages are yet to be provided banking services by March, 2012.

Shri A.K. Joti, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Gujarat inquired about the progress made by major banks in the State, to which **Smt. Nupur Mitra**, CMD, Dena Bank informed that since the Corporate BC was common for many banks and could not meet the commitment, hence to get rid of that Bank decided to appoint their own BC and a policy has been framed for that which is already under implementation. She expressed confident that Dena Bank would finish the job before the schedule date. Accordingly, Bank has already appointed 404 BCs to whom the required training is also imparted and handheld devices are also ready for all these field workers.

Shri N. Ravichandran, GM, State Bank of India informed that they are implementing FIP even through the KIOSK model and they are not dependent upon the State level BC. He expressed hope to cover the target before the stipulated date.

Shri A.K. Joti stated that Govt. of India is giving a lot of push and monitoring the progress on regular basis. He appreciated the efforts being taken by the Central Government that all the Government payments, pension payments and subsidies to the beneficiaries would be credited in their bank accounts. He said that once we are in readiness than all the payments will be made through e-payment and no beneficiary would be needed to go to a branch. He advised Finance Department and Rural Development Department of State Government to coordinate with the district authorities and Banks for smooth implementation of e-payment under select schemes of identified 32 schemes.

Smt. Deepalipant Joshi, CGM, Central Office, RBI, expressed her concern over performance under FIP and said that out of 3502 villages, banking outlets have been opened in 1854 villages and added that the performance is very dismal considering the deadline which expires on 31st March, 2012. She expressed hope that the issues with some of the Banks would be addressed soon. She also stated that the villages having population below 1000 should also be allotted to Service Area bank branches considering the recent guidelines.

She also observed that the progress in issuance of KCC is satisfactory, but there is a need to push up the issuance of GCC as the progress is very slow.

As regards the implementation of e-payment, she informed that RBI has already issued the detailed guidelines on 12th August, 2011. Banks need to ensure strict implementation of these guidelines. She also informed that a monitorable action plan for EBT payment should be finalised in consultation with the State Govt. Departments for each district as well as the State.

While referring to the branch expansion plan, she emphasised that in the monetary policy of RBI, it is mentioned that 25% of the branches should be opened in under served area as this will strengthen the position of serving the people in the rural areas.

Ms. Sreya Guha, Director, Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India stated that in all the existing schemes of various Ministries of Govt. Of India which are subsidy linked or where cash is given to the beneficiary, now all such payments would necessarily be made to the beneficiaries directly through his / her Bank account only.

Smt. Deepalipant Joshi stated that the functioning of BC requires very close and continuous monitoring and it should be ensured by the Banks that BC is doing his job properly and permanently available in the village for which he is entrusted the job of ensuring banking services. She also noted that under FIP, merely opening of No Frills accounts will not serve the purpose, but widespread awareness need to be created amongst the targeted group to avail the other products such as savings, credit, remittance, pension, Micro insurance, overdraft, GCC, KCC or any other micro finance for the livelihood of the family.

Regarding the progress made by RRBs, she noted that all the three RRBs should understand the seriousness of the Plan and immediately found out the solutions for achieving the same in consultation with their Sponsor Bank.

Shri Sudarshan Sen, Regional Director, RBI expressed concern over slow implementation of FIP roadmap even by the major banks and more particularly by RRBs to whom about 850 villages are allotted for financial inclusion. Since the left out period is only 4 months, he advised FIP allottee banks to prepare a monthwise plan and strategy by implementing any models to cover the gap and submit the same to RBI. He also said that he himself would review the progress on monthly basis.

Shri H.R. Dave, CGM, NABARD informed that if RRBs need some financial support for ICT based solution, they should approach NABARD for availing Financial Inclusion Technology Fund from them. He also informed that NABARD is supporting technical help through ISMW for training the trainers within RRBs.

Coverage of all uncovered eligible farmers for providing crop loan - KCC

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that number of KCCs has increased from 25,27,514 as of March, 2011 to 27,02,206 as of September, 2011 showing net increase of 1,74,692 KCCs. He said that there is a huge gap to be covered as still about 15 lakhs farmers need to be brought under the fold of KCC.

He said Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India has advised to launch campaign from 1.12.2011 to 15.12.2011 for lending in rural areas and during this campaign and during the said campaign, each branch will fix up a particular day for visit to each service area village and intimation a week before for the said visit would be sent in advance. While

visiting the village, application forms for No Frills accounts with OD facility and applications along with the papers for KCC and GCC issuance from eligible borrowers would be obtained on date of visit and immediate sanction would be made available with due scrutiny by visiting once again to the village by the branch officials. All concerned Zonal Offices would also certify that each village of 2000 and more population is being visited once a week on a fixed day, time and place.

Shri H.R. Dave, CGM, NABARD informed that during field visit to their Watershed area projects as well Vadi plot area project, it was gathered that lot many farmers are still awaiting their production credit i.e. KCC. Since these projects are in tribal areas, the timely availability of credit to these farmers would definitely help them to increase their production as well as their farm income.

District Service Area Plan

Ms. Sreya Guha, Director, Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Financial Services, Govt. of India informed that MoF, Gol issues the guidelines from time to time as regards to issuance of KCC, preparation of Service Area Plan, District Financial Service Area Plan, e-payments and branch expansion in the villages having population beyond 5000 in underbanked districts as well as beyond 10000 population in non underbanked districts. She further said that in these areas, SLBC has initiated action, but there is a need to closely monitor the implementation of all these directives from Govt. of India.

She also requested the Chief Secretary, Govt. of Gujarat for State Govt.'s help for posting District Service Area Plan on district website being maintained by nic.

Strategy and guidelines on Financial Inclusion – Opening of Bank Branches

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that out of 26 districts in the State, 12 districts are underbanked districts and as per the recent guidelines, there are 141 centres identified in as unbanked centres in 10 underbanked districts. As regards, non underbanked districts, there are only 7 centres having population beyond 10,000 and the details of such centres has been sent to the concerned Member Banks for their final confirmation.

(Action : FIP Allottee Banks)

Agenda No.3

OTHER AGENDA

3.1 Disposal of Applications seeking finance from Public Sector Banks - Pending for want of State Government's clearance

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that SLBC has requested Member Banks to provide the details of project proposals lying pending for disbursement with them for State Govt. Clearance so that a meeting with State agencies / departments can be held. Since this

is an ongoing exercise, Member Banks are again requested to provide these details to SLBC to initiate further course of action in this direction.

3.2 Viewing Rights for Land Records

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that in order to expedite the issuance of KCC to all the uncovered farmers, Lead District Manager, Vadodara, Anand, Kheda and Dahod districts vide letter dtd. 19th October, 2011 have requested to permit concerned bank branches for viewing rights for land records to enable them to decide the ownership of the land as well as to fix up the limit for KCC.

To this, **Shri A.K. Joti**, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Gujarat mentioned that in order to have certain security aspects, it is rather not possible to give the access for viewing rights and if viewing rights are allowed there are chances of misutilisation of the same. He, however, stated that Banks can get a copy of land records on request to the concerned authorities. **Ms. Sreya Guha** stated that in some other States, the viewing rights are allowed to the Banks and hence the issue may be examined.

3.3 Minutes of the meeting taken by Hon'ble Union Finance Minister with Chief Ministers of West Zone States and CEOs of Public Sector Banks / Financial Institutions on 17th September, 2011 - Follow up action

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that Member Banks as well as the Lead District Managers are requested to take note of the various action points emerged from the aforesaid meeting.

- Banks should concentrate on districts with lower CD Ratio even their CD Ratio of the State is high.
- CD Ratio in Gujarat has been declining over the past 5 years. While deposits have been growing at a rapid pace, advances have not been matching.
- Banks needs to address the qualitative aspects of Financial Inclusion and concentrate on unbanked blocks / villages in the States.

Smt. Deepalipant Joshi advised for drawing a monitorable action plan to improve the CD Ratio in the districts where it is below 40%.

3.4 Directions for implementation of PMEGP Scheme as per norms set up under PMEGP guidelines

The State Director, KVIC vide letter dtd. 29.09.2011 has forwarded a copy of circular No.PMEGP/PV.Gen.Corr./2011-12 dtd. 19.09.2011 regarding operational directives in implementation of PMEGP scheme as per norms specified under its guidelines.

Shri Suresh N. Patel requested Member Banks to circulate the same amongst their branches for compliance of the same.

3.5 Issuance of Artisan Credit Card - Target for the year 2011-12

Smt. Nupur Mitra informed that a reference is received from the Govt. of India about the large number of pendency of Artisans applications in the State. She therefore requested for the help from the State Government as a commitment has been given to the Government for disposal of the same by the end of this month. She also requested to see that this task is accomplished as a mission.

Shri P.L. Darbar, Commissioner, Cottage & Rural Industries, Govt. of Gujarat informed that on 20th November, 2011, there was a one to one meet with controlling heads of all the Banks and framed the strategies for disposal of the pending applications. It was suggested that the concerned officer from DIC would be deputed to the bank branches with prior intimation and a joint appraisal would be made for disposal of the applications. He hoped that by this initiative the applications pending at various centres would be cleared by 31st December, 2011.

(Action : All Member Banks)

3.6 SHG Bank Linkage Programme - Rate of Interest

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that the rate of interest is applicable on the limits withdrawn and is being charged on reducing balance basis and interest rates are varied bank to bank because of individual Base Rate. However, the same are comfortable and lower than the interest charged by the MFIs.

3.7 A meeting of all SLBC Convenors on Financial Inclusion convened by the Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India on 3rd November, 2011- Various action points emerged are as under

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that the copy of the minutes have been circulated to the Member Banks.

3.8 Progress under financing to Indira Awas Yojana (IAY) - DRI Loan Scheme - as of September, 2011

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that out of 78,604 pending applications, almost 75% applications are pending with three Lead Banks (Dena Bank - 15,058, State Bank of India - 20,569 and Bank of Baroda - 26,022) and therefore necessary instructions need to be passed on to their field level functionaries for disposal of pending applications.

(Action : Member Banks)

3.9 Monitoring of progress under finance extended to MSMEs, Housing and Auto Sectors under IBA Package

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that since the introduction of stimulus package, the Banks in Gujarat have extended finance to the tune of Rs.36,362.60 crores upto the quarter ended September, 2011 and requested the House to take note of the same.

Agenda No.4

REVIEW OF BANKING DEVELOPMENTS IN KEY AREAS FOR THE QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER, 2011 :

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that during the quarter ended September, 2011, total number of bank branches increased by 54 taking the total network of branches from 6,461 as of June, 2011 to 6,515 as of September, 2011. He further informed that 146 licences were pending for opening of new branches at the end of September, 2011 as per the information received from Reserve Bank of India, Department of Banking Supervision (DBS), Ahmedabad (Metro - 79, Urban - 36 & Semi-urban - 31) and requested Member Banks to expedite opening of Branches.

DEPOSITS GROWTH :

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that the aggregate deposits of the banks in Gujarat increased by Rs.12,207 crores in absolute terms from Rs.2,79,760 crores as of June, 2011 to Rs.2,91,967 crores as of September, 2011 registering a growth of 4.36% as against 4.06% growth for the corresponding period of the previous year. However, the growth over March, 2011 is 7.31% and y-o-y growth stood at 22%.

CREDIT EXPANSION :

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that the aggregate advances of the Banks in Gujarat increased by Rs. 4255 crores in absolute terms from Rs. 1,92,630 crores as of June, 2011 to Rs.1,96,885 crores as of September, 2011 registering a growth of 2.21% as against 2.41% growth for the corresponding period of the previous year. However, the growth over March, 2011 is 4.83% and y-o-y growth stood at 23.00%.

CREDIT DEPOSIT RATIO:

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that the conventional CD Ratio has declined from 69.03% as of March, 2011 to 67.43% as of September, 2011 which indicates that the credit growth (4.83%) has not matched with the deposits growth (7.31%).

CD Ratio BELOW 40%

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that there are 7 districts in the State where CD Ratio is below 40% and Banks need to put in special efforts to increase the same.

Shri A.K. Joti stated that out of these 7 districts, district like Anand, Kheda, Navsari and Porbandar are the prosperous districts and number of NRIs are from these districts. However, the concern is the lower CD Ratio in Dangs and Dahod which are predominantly tribal belts and lot of efforts need to be initiated by all the Departments to

create opportunities for credit expansion. He stated that these are the poor people who need hand holding. **Smt. Nupur Mitra** suggested for identification of some NGOs who are ready to work so that large number of SHGs can be formed and with its credit linkage, livelihood can be created.

PRIORITY SECTOR LENDING :

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that the Priority Sector advances have been increased by Rs.5820 crores over March, 2011 and year on year growth as of September, 2011 is Rs.13978 crores i.e. 21.90%. The agriculture advances has marginally declined by Rs.499 crores over March, 2011, whereas advances to Weaker Sections have increased by Rs.1498 crores over March, 2011 and DRI advances have increased by Rs.9 crores during the half year. He requested that the pending applications under DRI - IAY loan scheme are cleared by the Member Banks, the share of advances to Weaker Section would improve to some extent. The House observed that, among the various Bank groups, the share of Private Sector Banks towards Weaker Section Advances is only 1% as against the contribution of 21% in the total credit.

Agenda No.5

REVIEW OF PROGRESS UNDER SERVICE AREA CREDIT PLAN (SACP) 2011-12 FOR FRESH LENDING TO PRIORITY SECTOR : _____

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that the overall performance upto September, 2011 under SACP was 48.76% and the highest percentage achievement was recorded in MSE segment i.e. 62.43%, followed by Agriculture segment - 48.40% and Trade & Services - 38.88%. He requested Member Banks to make serious efforts to achieve the target in the remaining period so that the annual target can be achieved. He further said that the performance in 7 districts was higher than the above State average and requested the Lead District Managers of remaining 19 districts to take up the issue in DLCC meetings so as to improve the performance for the State as a whole.

While reviewing the districtwise performance under Agriculture Sector, he observed that as against the target of Rs.25,391 crores, the bank have lent Rs.12,290 crores to the farmers i.e. 48.40% and added that 9 districts performed above State average and the poorest performance was noted in Dangs district.

Regarding bankwise performance, he stated that 5 banks remained above the State average and requested remaining banks to take up with their branches to improve their performance so that the target allotted to them could be achieved by the year end.

He expressed concern over reducing outstanding credit to Agriculture Sector and again requested Member Banks to put in serious efforts for improving finance to this Sector.

Shri H.R. Dave, CGM, NABARD said that Kharif Season is over and now the Banks should focus on extending finance to the farmers for raising Rabi crops and on financing for land based activities to increase Agriculture credit. He noted that the performance is lower in tribal dominated districts and advised Banks to intensively activate their branches in these districts for Agriculture finance. He also said that the 100% KCC coverage campaign offers a golden opportunity to reach out to the farmers who are still out of the fold of KCC.

Shri Suresh N. Patel mentioned that under JLG, those farmers who do not have land title, but are cultivating land, can also be covered under KCC fold through JLG.

Agenda No.6

COMPARATIVE POSITION OF CASES FILED UNDER GUJARAT STATE RECOVERY ACT, 1979 AS OF SEPTEMBER, 2011

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that total 1,77,787 cases involving Rs.378.25 crores are pending and added that there is no improvement in the disposal of pending cases and once again requested the Revenue Department to issue instructions to the District Authorities for quick disposal of pending Recovery Certificates and extend necessary help and support to the Banks in recovery in chronic cases.

Bankwise position of Outstanding, NPA, Percentage of NPA to Outstanding upto the half year ended September, 2011

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that the Gross Advances of the Banks in the State of Gujarat as of September, 2011 is Rs.1,96,855 crores. He further said that in Government sponsored programmes, the NPA level is much higher in percentage terms than the other direct finance under Priority Sector segments. Proper follow-up and monitoring is needed at branch level.

Agenda No.7

A. REVIEW OF PROGRESS UNDER GOVT. SPONSORED PROGRAMMES FOR THE QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER, 2011

CENTRAL GOVERNMENT SPONSORED PROGRAMMES :

SWARNA JAYANTI GRAM SWAROJGAAR YOJANA (SGSY) :

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that the performance was not upto the mark and requested Member Banks to clear pending applications. He informed that out of 16,132 swarojgaris assisted, SC beneficiaries were 1654 (10.25%), ST were 5985 (37.10%), Women were 6142 (38.07%), Minorities were 1389 (8.61%) and Disabled were 116 (0.72%) and the total percentage of assistance to SC & ST Swarojgaris comes to 47.35% against the stipulation of 50%.

(Action : Member Banks)

PRIME MINISTER'S EMPLOYMENT GENERATION PROGRAMME (PMEGP)

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that Banks have extended finance to 1947 beneficiaries with Margin Money amount of Rs.5970.48 lakhs and thus the target of Margin Money amount achieved by 234.88% and physical target by 107.21%. He said that 1991 loan applications remained pending as at the end of September, 2011. He requested KVIC to ensure release of subsidy in all the sanctioned and disbursed cases.

Shri A.D. Choudhury, Director, KVIC extended his heartiest congratulation to newly appointed CMD of Dena Bank and Chairman SLBC, Gujarat. He also extended his heartiest welcome and sincere gratitude to the Chief Secretary Govt. of Gujarat for his whole hearted, Co-operation and guidance in implementation of PMEGP in the State of Gujarat which has shown a phenomenal growth.

As regards performance of PMEGP in Gujarat, he reiterated that the physical verification report pertaining the PMEGP units funded during the year 2008-09 and 2009-10 reveals that 90% units have been found to be working successfully. The physical verification work of the units sanctioned during the year 2010-11 have also been assigned to the agency concerned and the work is in progress.

He informed the house that the progress under the scheme has been so good that the allotted margin money target for the current year was achieved during the second quarter itself, as a result further receiving of applications, holding of TFC, and sponsoring of application had to be stopped and whatever projects were sanctioned a cut off date was fixed (15.10.2011) for preference of margin money claims against all such sanctioned/dispensed projects. This was in pursuance of the decision taken during the last SLBC meeting held on 18.08.2011. Based on the above decision and the ground realities of the position thereby it was further informed that additional margin money requirement under the PMEGP scheme now stands at Rs. 55.00 Crores for which SLBC unanimously resolved a fresh for consideration of such additional requirement of funds by KVIC, Head Quarters/Ministry of MSME instead of Rs. 35.00 Crores as was resolved earlier during the last SLBC meeting held on 18.08.2011. Looking in the above position and sticking to the point of cut off date so fixed and the consideration of additional demand of margin money of Rs. 55.00 Crores during the current financial year there lies hardly any scope for considering further sanction of projects thus applications pending with the financing bank/branches needs to be returned to the implementing agencies concerned which was agreed upon by the SLBC.

(Action : Member Banks)

He informed the house that some Bank/Branches releases a very nominal amount as a first installment and as per the Circular dtd. 19.09.2011 issued by KVIC, therefore the first installment of loan should at least cover up the eligible amount of subsidy/margin money against beneficiary's project. No interest should be charged on TDR neither should be provided/extended as has been stipulated in the PMEGP guideline.

He further informed the house that as per the guidelines of PMEGP and circular dtd. 19.09.2011 the working capital/ Cash Credit component should be utilized in such a way that at one point of time within three years of locking period of margin money, the cash credit availment touches 100% limit of the sanctioned cash credit and never falls below 75% of limit of the said limit. If it does not touch 100% limit, proportionate amount of the margin money subsidy therefore be recovered by bank concerned and refunded to KVIC at the end of third year, he further added.

SWARNA JAYANTI SHAHERI ROJGAAR YOJANA (SJSRY) :

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that Banks have sanctioned 834 applications with an amount of Rs.657.29 lakhs till the end of September, 2011. He requested Member Banks to dispose off these applications at the earliest.

(Action : Member Banks)

STATE GOVT. SPONSORED PROGRAMMES

VAJPAYEE BANKABLE SCHEME (VBS) :

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that the achievement at 37.04% for the quarter ended September, 2011 was lower than the performance at 43.86% achieved for the corresponding period of the previous year.

He noted that out of the total sanction of 13,408 applications (Rs. 103.65 crores), 1903 applications (Rs.11.54 crores) sanctioned to S.T. beneficiaries, 2090 applications (Rs.12.74 crores) to S.C. beneficiaries. He also requested Member Banks to dispose off 21,717 pending applications.

(Action : Member Banks)

GUJARAT SCHEDULED CASTES DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (GSCDC) :

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that the achievement of target in terms of cases sanctioned stood at 14.80% upto the quarter ended September, 2011 as against 22.81% for the corresponding period of the previous year. The performance in the districts other than Ahmedabad (Rural), Dahod, Navsari and Panchmahals need to be reviewed critically. He also requested Sponsoring Agency and Bank branches to co-ordinate amongst each other so that during the remaining period of the current financial year, the gap can be bridged.

He requested Member Banks to dispose off pending 3752 loan applications at the earliest, since financing the loan applications sponsored by GSCDC forms a part of Weaker Section advances. The performance under Weaker Section finance is below the stipulated benchmark in Gujarat State and, therefore, financing to SC beneficiaries will help in improving the same.

(Action : Member Banks)

BANKABLE SCHEME OF DEVELOPING CASTES WELFARE DEPARTMENT (DCWD)

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that the achievement stood at 30.87% of the target as against 30.08% during the corresponding period of the previous year. He requested the Lead District Managers where the performance was below the State average to take-up the matter in DLCC / BLBC meetings with the Banks' branches to improve upon their performance in the financial year 2011-12.

He requested Member Banks to ensure that 8009 pending applications are disposed off by their branches on merits at the earliest.

(Action : Member Banks)

GUJARAT WOMEN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (GWEDC) :

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that the performance has improved in comparison of the corresponding period of the last year and remained at 40.80%. He informed that Panchmahals and Sabarkantha district have achieved the target, whereas the performance in Ahmedabad, Dahod, Gandhinagar, Kutch, Mehsana, Patan and Vadodara districts was above the average performance. He requested Member Banks to dispose off the pending applications so that the targets can be achieved by the year end.

(Action : Member Banks)

JYOTI GRAM VIKAS YOJANA (MARGIN MONEY SCHEME) - JGVY:

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that as against the target of 150, the sponsoring is only 51 which needs to be improved and Banks have to dispose off the 35 pending applications to improve performance in the remaining period.

(Action : Member Banks)

Agenda No.8

FINANCING UNDER OTHER PROGRAMMES / SCHEMES

(i) FINANCING TO MINORITY COMMUNITIES & WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that fresh loans of Rs.196.51 crores were disbursed by the banks to 8218 beneficiaries belonging to Minority Communities during the quarter ended September, 2011. The outstanding reached the level of Rs. 2847.38 crores in 2,17,407 accounts as of September, 2011.

The share of advances to Minority Community to Priority Sector Advances stood at 3.66% as at the end of quarter ended September, 2011 which was 3.49% for the year ended March, 2011. Y-o-Y growth in outstanding is Rs.774.52 crores i.e. 37.36%.

He requested Member Banks to step up finance to Minority Community so as to reach the benchmark of 15% of Priority Sector advances.

(Action : Member Banks)

WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that the fresh credit to the tune of Rs.591.54 crores to 24,653 beneficiaries in the State during the quarter ended September, 2011. The outstanding advances reached the level of Rs.7320.14 crores in 5,49,533 accounts and stood at 3.72% as against target of 5% of Net Bank Credit, which was 3.87% as of 31.03.2011. Y-o-Y growth in outstanding credit to Women beneficiaries is Rs.1062.64 crores i.e. 16.98%.

He requested Member Banks to boost up the financing to the Women Entrepreneurs in order to reach this stipulation.

(Action : Member Banks)

(ii) Self Help Groups (SHGs) :

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that upto September, 2011, total 1,83,273 SHGs have been formed, of which 1,55,359 i.e. 84.76 % have been promoted exclusively for Women in the State. Out of 1,83,273 SHGs, 95,838 SHGs have been linked with Bank finance with an outstanding of Rs.353.01 crores. SHGs are having a total membership of 20,79,793 of which women were 17,85,088 i.e. 85.83%.

Districtwise information on Sakhi Mandals

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that out of total 1,91,934 Sakhi Mandals, 1,82,351 Sakhi Mandals which have completed six months, 1,64,637 Sakhi Mandals are graded i.e. 90.29%. Out of total 1,64,637 Sakhi Mandals graded, 1,33,808 Sakhi Mandals have been credit linked (73.38%) involving credit amount of Rs.832.62 crores as of September, 2011 as against 230.61 Crores as of March, 2011. However, in the districts like Ahmedabad, Anand, Gandhinagar, Navsari, the achievement is very poor and need to specially focus on credit linkage of the graded SHGs.

Shri A.K. Joti informed that though the Banks have sanctioned the cash credit limit to the satisfactory level, but the actual availment is around Rs.350 crores and thus the average credit sanction comes to Rs.26,000 per SHG as against the sanction amount average of Rs.59,000/- which need to be improved to prevent the SHG members for approaching private moneylenders for their credit needs.

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that as decided in the meeting held on 28th November, 2011, a group of officers from major banks and representative from GLPC visited 5-6 branches of different banks in Gandhinagar district and it was reported that though the amount is sanctioned, but due to non-mapping the same in the FINACLE, the amount disbursed is not reflected properly. He requested the Member Banks to look into the matter and see that the amount outstanding is reflected for all the SHGs in the reports.

(iii) REVIEW OF PROGRESS UNDER DIRECT HOUSING FINANCE & GJRHF

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that as per the information made available by the member banks, fresh loans worth Rs.2373.90 crores have been granted to 29.885 beneficiaries during the quarter ended September, 2011 under Direct Housing Finance.

The outstanding level reached to Rs.15,122.32 crores in 2,68,385 accounts as of September, 2011. Y-o-Y growth in outstanding housing finance is Rs.2749.93 crores i.e. 22.22%.

Golden Jubilee Rural Housing Finance

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that under Golden Jubilee Rural Housing Finance (GJRHF) Scheme, during the quarter ended September, 2011, fresh loans worth Rs.21.43 crores have been granted to 599 beneficiaries and the outstanding level reached at Rs.451.90 crores in 14,863 accounts as of September, 2011.

(iv) REVIEW OF PROGRESS UNDER EDUCATION LOAN :

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that during the quarter, the Banks have disbursed Education loans to 3216 students to the tune of Rs. 72.45 crores. The outstanding under Education loans reached to Rs.1288.17 crores in 48,116 accounts as of September, 2011. Y-o-Y growth in outstanding education loans is Rs.45.70 crores i.e. 3.67%.

(v - a) KISAN CREDIT CARD (KCC) :

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that out of 42.39 lakhs landholdings, KCCs have been issued to 27.02 lakhs farmers upto September, 2011 which in percentage term comes to about 64% of the total farmers.

Ms. Sreya Guha stated that all Banks need to issue KCC during special campaign to the uncovered eligible farmers as it is one of the commitments of the Government to cover all the uncovered eligible farmers under the fold of KCC. She advised SLBC to report feedback in this regard.

(Action : SLBC)

(v - b) Progress under formation of Joint Liability Groups (JLGs) & its credit linkage

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that upto the quarter ended September, 2011, out of 24 Banks, only 7 Banks have initiated to form JLGs and so far 739 JLGs have been formed under Farm Sector and 418 JLGs have been formed under Non-Farm Sector. He also informed that the quite good number of farmers can be issued KCCs through JLG Model.

(vi) SWAROJGAR CREDIT CARD (SCC) :

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that Banks have issued 3876 SCCs to the tune of Rs.8.84 crores during the quarter. In all, 12,692 SCCs have been issued and the amount outstanding is Rs.29.94 crores. He noted that the progress is very slow.

(vii) ARTISAN CREDIT CARD (ACC) :

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that during the quarter, 1173 ACCs were issued by Banks amounting to Rs.43.46 lakhs. Thus, upto the end of September, 2011, the outstanding ACCs were 5026 amounting to Rs.7796.00 lakhs.

(viii) REVIEW OF FLOW OF CREDIT TO SSI SECTOR AND CREDIT LINKED CAPITAL SUBSIDY SCHEME FOR TECHNOLOGY UPGRADATION OF SSI (CLCSSTU) :

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that SSI advances stood at Rs.28,980.51 crores at the quarter ended September, 2011. During the quarter under review, banks have disbursed Rs.105.96 crores to 296 units under CLCSSTU taking the outstanding level to Rs.831.18 crores in 4152 accounts.

(ix) ADVANCES TO SC & ST BENEFICIARIES :

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that the outstanding advances to SC beneficiaries as of September, 2011 was Rs.1289.00 crores in 1,70,292 accounts, forming 9.83% of Weaker Section advances, which was 9.31% as of March, 2011.

Similarly, the outstanding advances to ST beneficiaries as of September, 2011 was Rs.1543.16 crores in 2,02,307 accounts, forming 11.77% of Weaker Section advances, which was 12.67% as of March, 2011.

(X) Progress under "No Frills Accounts" with overdraft facility and issuance of General Purpose Credit Cards (GCC)

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that 3,13,248 "No Frills A/cs" have been opened during the quarter ended September, 2011. Banks have provided overdraft facility to 2,57,468 a/cs amounting to Rs.9.19.crores. Total number of "No Frills Accounts" reached 23,25,476 as of September, 2011 with an amount of Rs.124.87 crores in these accounts. He said that the households which are not covered would be taken up during the special campaign.

During the quarter, 8091 GCCs amounting to Rs.1918 lakhs have been issued by Member Banks. The cumulative position as of September, 2011 reached 44,278 GCCs amounting to Rs.45.54 crores.

(xi) Progress under Finance extended to Farmers under "Debt Swap Scheme" as of September, 2011

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that during the quarter under review, the Banks have disbursed loans amounting to Rs.12.56 crores to 2553 farmer beneficiaries under Debt

Swap Scheme. The cumulative disbursement comes to Rs.158.81 crores to 47,258 farmer beneficiaries.

(xii) Progress under Finance extended to Farmers under "Agriculture Debt Waiver & Debt Relief Scheme, 2008" as of September, 2011

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that during the quarter under review, the Banks have disbursed loans amounting to Rs.26.66 crores to 2651 farmers, who have been extended debt waiver / relief benefit under ADW & DR Scheme, 2008. The cumulative disbursements under the scheme comes to Rs.450.54 crores to 82,820 farmers.

(xiii) Progress under "Artificial Recharge of Groundwater through Dugwells" Scheme as of 31.10.2011

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that as per the progress report upto the month ended October, 2011 submitted by the Gujarat State Water Management Agency (GSWMA) at Commissionerate of Rural Development, Govt. of Gujarat, there are 2,23,116 farmer beneficiaries identified (eligible) under the scheme, of which 1,81,376 beneficiaries have opened their Savings Bank Account. Nodal departments have forwarded the applications of 1,71,637 beneficiaries to NABARD and NABARD has released subsidy in 1,57,419 cases. He further informed that subsidy has been credited in 1,28,078 accounts and 8,669 dugwell recharge structures have been completed.

(xiv) Reverse Mortgage Loan (RML) Scheme

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that during the quarter, banks have disbursed Rs.13.17 crores in 220 accounts and total outstanding loan amount stood at Rs.101.99 crores in 678 accounts as of September, 2011.

Table Agenda

The Managing Director, Gujarat Livelihood Promotion Company Limited has sponsored the following agenda.

Interest Subsidy Scheme for Self Help Groups (SHGs)

Shri Milind Torwane, Managing Director, GLPC informed that GLPC is planning for Interest Subsidy Scheme for the finance extended to SHGs. He made a Power Point Presentation of the objectives and salient features of the scheme. He said under the

Scheme, it is proposed to provide subsidy @5% on the interest rate being charged by the banks on the term loans availed by the SHGs for investment purpose. He said that the approved scheme along with the operational modalities would be sent on finalisation.

(Action : GLPC)

Payment to GGRC through NEFT / RTGS

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that as per the guidelines of Finance Department, Govt. of India dtd. 26.08.2011 on Green Initiative-e-payment, all the payments including loan disbursement to be made through Electronic modes either by RTGS or NEFT. Supplier has to give full details of their Account Number, Bank Name, IEC Code No. etc., along with the demand notice of loan disbursement of loanee farmer to facilitate e-payment.

Micro Insurance and Micro Pension

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that the details of the Swavlamban Scheme along with the districtwise targets have already been circulated and Lead District Managers to incorporate the above target and review the progress in each DLCC meeting.

(Action : All LDMs)

Requirement of space for locating Debt Recovery Tribunals

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that the Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Finance vide letter dated 11.11.2011, stated that the Debt Recovery Tribunal at Ahmedabad is in short of the space for smooth functioning. Accordingly, either Member Banks or State Government is requested to provide either the readymade premises or land on which premises can be built for locating DRT, Ahmedabad.

Shri A.K. Joti advised for running the DRT from a rented premises as the finding suitable place for constructing a building for DRT would be a costly affair as well as it would take considerable time.

Shri Suresh N. Patel informed that preliminary SLBC has received the information that Central Bank of India has shown their readiness to spare the space at their Zonal Office Building. Zonal Manager, Central Bank of India informed that they have recommended proposal for offering premises to DRT to their Head Office.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks presented by **Shri N. Ravichandran**, General Manager, State Bank of India.
