

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL SLBC MEETING FOR FINALIZATION OF AGREED
LIST FOR COVERAGE OF 34 UNBANKED BLOCKS OF ARUNACHAL
PRADESH (A.P) AND SLBC MEETING FOR THE QUARTER ENDED
MARCH'2011 HELD ON 29.06.2011 AT HOTEL DONYI POLO ASHOK,
ITANAGAR AT 3.00 P.M**

The meeting was presided over by Shri Kalikho Pul , Hon'ble Finance Minister , Govt of Arunachal Pradesh and co-chaired by Shri R.K.Garg , Chief General Manager , State Bank of India , N.E.Circle and Smt. Swati Sharma, Special Secretary (Finance) , GoAP. It was attended by Shri N.K Gayon , General Manager , RBI , Guwahati; Shri Y Vijay Kumar, DGM (LB & RRB), SBI, Corporate Centre, Mumbai and others as per list enclosed .

At the outset, Shri B.N.Das, AGM , SBI, Regional Office , Itanagar welcomed all the dignitaries present in the meeting and requested Shri R.K.Garg, CGM, SBI to address the house.

Shri R.K. Garg welcomed the Hon'ble Finance Minister, Govt of A.P. and other dignitaries on behalf of State Bank of India (Convener Bank) and requested all the bankers to go beyond Itanagar and Naharlagun in finalization of agreed list for coverage of 34 unbanked blocks of Arunachal Pradesh. He stated the concern of GOI as well as of SBI as Convener of SLBC, A.P. and the efforts already made to carry out the detailed infrastructural survey of all 34 unbanked blocks and the plan of coverage prepared as per the discussions held in the preparatory meeting held on 20.06.2011 at the Conference Hall of Hotel Donyi Polo Ashok, Itanagar. The said meeting dated 20.06.2011 was chaired by Smt Swati Sharma, Spl Secretary (Finance), GoAP and was attended by Dr J.N.Misra (GM-Outreach) & Shri L.P.Rai (GM-RB-Outreach) both from SBI, Corporate Centre, Mumbai ; Shri S.K.Kandar (DGM-RB-Outreach) & Shri R.R.Haldar (AGM-LB-RRB) both from SBI, LHO, Guwahati , Shri S.Padmanabhan (GM-

NABARD), Shri Shyam Narain (GM-BSNL) , Shri B.N.Das, (AGM, RBI, Itanagar) and others.

He also mentioned about the reasons for low CD Ratio in the state (33.71%) as well as for SBI (25.11%) and explained how it can be worked out at a relatively revised level, revised at 37.00 % for SBI. Again, if the amount of Bank Guarantees issued by branches for projects in the state of A.P is considered, the CD Ratio will further increase. State Bank of India and A.P. Rural Bank (sponsored by SBI) are the Banks which have contributed in the state with a major share in lending as well as spread of banking network & business.

Smt Swati Sharma welcomed all the participants on behalf of State Govt and expressed the concern of State Govt in extending services in the remote villages as well as in all 34 unbanked blocks, as soon as possible. She informed that regarding infrastructural facilities required for opening of banking outlets, the matter has been taken up with the Dy Commissioners of the respective districts and they have been specifically asked to provide all infrastructural facilities required for opening of Banks in Unbanked Blocks.

She mentioned about the poor contribution of the Private Sector banks as well as a number of Public Sector banks in priority sector lending, stating that the matter was also discussed with the Dy. Governor, Ms Shyamla Gopinath during her visit to Itanagar in February, 2011 & Ms Surekha Marandi, Regional Director of RBI during SLBC meeting held on 24.01.2011 but not much progress has been made in this matter.

She expressed concern over rejection of loan proposals for minor reasons by Banks and requested the banks to prepare and arrange for sending a check list of required documents to the sponsoring agencies, so that beneficiaries are not harassed. She also requested the Banks to advise Branch Managers to maintain liaison with the DCs / BDOs and keep them informed before sanction /

disbursements of loan proposals, so that they can also be involved in the recovery process in case of default in repayment. She looked forward for a positive solution in this regard.

She also talked about holding Financial Literacy Campaigns in consultation with DCs of the Districts. Regarding opening of Banks in Unbanked Blocks, she desired that before 15th August, 2011, as many Banks should be opened in Unbanked Blocks as possible. Chairman, APRB assured to open at least one by that time.

Shri Kalikho Pul, Hon'ble Finance Minister, GoAP, welcomed the CGM of SBI and other participants and mentioned that serving the rural poor in the state should be priority of the banks stating that there is ample scope to play a vital role for self employment of unemployed youth. He assured to provide full support from the State Govt as required by the banks to reach out to the remote villages and unbanked blocks.

He expressed concern for the low CD Ratio in the state and appeal to the banks to open a branch at Hawaii, the district Head Quarter of Anjaw district, which can cover Hawaii-walong unbanked blocks. Shri Pul talked about financial literacy campaign in the areas where people are unaware of different banking facilities and setting up of Rural Self Employment Training Institutes in the allotted districts.

He also expressed concern over A.P.State Co-operative Apex Bank and assured for all kinds of support for revival of the bank. He said the loan portfolio is very negligible in many banks and urged upon them to contribute for the development of the state.

He also desired that meetings of SLBC must be attended by senior officers from State Govt as well as Banks so that decisions can be taken quickly.

Shri N.K.Gayon in his speech appreciated A.P.Rural Bank and SBI to win the bids in respect of 5 (Five) unbanked blocks and 2 (two) currency chest branches respectively and requested the Chairman of APRB to start the process for opening their branches as early as possible. He expressed his disappointment for all other banks for not taking part in the bidding process called by RBI. He requested the banks to cover all 34 unbanked blocks by March'2012.

Shri R.R.Haldar , AGM (LB & RRB) , SBI , started the proceeding of the meeting with power point presentation for proposed plan of coverage of all 34 unbanked blocks and requested the Govt and the house to finalize the agreed list in this meeting so that the Govt can request RBI to call bids for all remaining unbanked blocks at the earliest.

The CGM, SBI immediately took up the matter with the house in details about the plan prepared to cover the unbanked blocks by existing Tetul Bari branch of Allahabad Bank for coverage of Balijan block, new/ existing branches of SBI & APRB, as well as the proposal for BC Model to cover 16 blocks depending on the availability of motorable roads, communication, BSNL connectivity etc. A threadbare discussion was made in the house on the power point presentation of the convenor bank for mapping of 34 unbanked blocks in the state and it has come out from the discussion that SBI will open 3 (three) new Branches at Monigong to cover Monigong block; Hawaii to cover Hawaii-walong blocks; Wakka to cover Wakka, Laju & Pongchao blocks. APRB will open a new branch at Puchigeku as agreed by the Chairman,APRB to cover Pucigeku block. The existing branch of Allahabad Bank at Tentulbari will cover the Balijan block; the existing branch of SBI at Jairampur will cover Nampongmanmao block, existing SBI Seppa branch will cover Bameng and Bana blocks and existing SBI Hayuliang branch will cover Manchal block as proposed in the presentation(Please see table attached). Therefore, the remaining 16 blocks will have to be covered by BCs as proposed and agreed in the house as per the

status of availability of roads for communications and connectivity to be arranged by the State Govt. and BSNL authorities. The BCs will be set up by SBI if other Banks do not come forward as mentioned by the CGM, SBI in the house and the BCs may be mobile as per availability with a link to the nearest SBI branch. He requested the RBI to have the subvention scheme improved, particularly for Arunachal Pradesh due to extreme circumstances prevailing. Also RBI Should increase the subvention period for opening new branches in the unbanked blocks beyond existing five years to enable banks to come forward in these difficult North Eastern states. He also requested RBI and NABARD to come up to consider and extend subvention scheme for opening Banking Correspondent (BC) outlets in A.P. providing Banking through Branch / BC model through Mobile Vans should also be brought under the subvention scheme. He urged upon the Chairman, APRB to start the process of opening branches in 5 centers already allotted by RBI through bidding process, at the earliest. One such Branch will be opened before 15.08.2011.

Shri Khiangte, Chairman APRB responded and promised to open all the 5 branches within December'2011 end and one before 15.08.2011.

Shri Garg, as Convener of SLBC, A.P. desired that there should not be unbanked blocks by March'2012. He requested the nationalized banks to come up and take part in the bidding process of RBI for the remaining unbanked blocks.

Shri S.K.Gupta, Branch Manager, Punjab National Bank , Itanagar responded to take part in the ensuing bidding process by RBI . Shri B.Hazarika, Chief Manager, United Bank of India, Naharlagun Branch also proposed to open their branch at Changlang. All the other representatives of banks expressed their inability to make commitment in the matter, as they are not empowered and assured that they will take up the matter with their Controlling / Head Offices.

The house expressed extreme dissatisfaction over inappropriate representation of all other banks in such an important meeting, chaired by the Hon'ble Finance Minister, GoAP & Co-chaired by the CGM of SBI (Convener Bank). GoAP desired that the matter may be taken up with the respective CMDs by RBI as well as SLBC convener.

Shri Vijay Kumar DGM (LB & RRB), SBI Corporate Centre, Mumbai appreciated the performance & achievement by SBI as on 31.03.2011.

He expressed the concern of SBI, Corporate Centre for coverage of 34 unbanked blocks of A.P. and financial inclusion. A few initiatives taken by SBI in favour of RRB were explained by him.

The CGM with the permission of the house concluded the Special SLBC Meeting for coverage of unbanked blocks of A.P.

Action points emerged from the Special SLBC Meeting dated 29.06.2011:

Sl No.	Action point	Action by	Time line
1	Opening of new branches of 5 centres covering 7 blocks already allotted by RBI through Bids and opening of at least one centre at the earliest.	APRB	Within Dec,2011 and opening of at least one by 15 th August, 2011.
2	Opening of new branches at 4 centres covering 6 blocks	SBI/APRB	March,2012
3	Coverage of 5 blocks by 4 existing branches of ALB & SBI	ALB/SBI	March,2012
4	Remaining 16 blocks to be covered by BC	All Banks	March,2012

5	Calling for Bids for Branches under item no.2 above and under BC model as per item no.4 above	Convenor Bank/ GoAP/ RBI	16 th Aug, 2011
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AGREED LIST FOR COVERAGE OF UNBANKED BLOCKS OF A.P.

A: By New Branches

Sl No.	Bank	New Branch	Block(s) to be covered	District	Remarks
1	APRB	Mariyang	Mariyang	Upper Siang	RBI allotted through Bid
2	Do	Gensi	Gensi	West Siang	Do
3	Do	Rumgong	Rumgong	Do	Do
4	Do	Riga	Riga	East Siang	Do
5	Do	Taliha	1.Taliha 2. Giba 3. Siyum	Upper Subansiri	Do
6	SBI	Monigong	Monigong	West Siang	To be allotted through fresh RBI Bids
7	SBI	Hawai	Hawai- Walong	Anjaw	Do
8	SBI	Wakka	1. Wakka 2. Laju 3. Pongchao	Tirap	Do
9	APRB	Puchigeku	Puchigeku	Upper Subansiri	Do

	TOTAL 9 (APRB-6,SBI-3) New Branches Covering 13 blocks				
B: By EXISTING BRANCHES					
1	SBI	Jairampur	Namongmanmao	Changlang	
2	SBI	Seppa	1.Bameng 2.Bana	East Kameng	
3	SBI	Hayuliang	Manchal	Anjaw	
4	Allahabad Bank	Tetulbari	Balijan	Papumpare	
TOTAL 4 existing branches (SBI-3,ALB-1) covering 5 Blocks					
C: THROUGH BC MODEL					
	SBI Link Branch		Blocks	To be covered by BC	
1	Yazali		Mengio	Papumpare	Offline
2	Daporizo		Nacho	Upper Subansiri	Online
3	Anini		Anelih-Arzoo	Dibang Valley	Offline
4	---do---		Etainmaliney	Do	Online
5	Seppa		Pakke Kessang	East Kameng	Offline
6	---do---		Chayangtajo	Do	Online
7	New Palin		Tali	Kurung Kumey	Offline
8	---do---		Nyapin	Do	Online
9	---do---		Pipsorang	Do	Offline
10	---do---		Chambang	Do	Offline
11	Basar		Liromoba	West Siang	Online
12	Hayuliang		Chaglogam	Anjaw	Offline
13	Tenga Valley		Thrizino	West Kameng	Online
14	Changlang		Khimiyang	Changlang	Offline

15	Koloriang		Sarli	Kurung Kumey	Offline
16	---do---		Damin	Do	Offline
	TOTAL	16 BLOCKS Through BC Model			

SUMMARY

A: New branches : 9 (APRB-6, SBI-3) to cover 13 Blocks

B: Existing Branches : 4 (ALB-1, SBI-3) to cover 5 Blocks

C: Through BC Model : 16 Blocks

Adoption of the minutes of previous SLBC Meeting dated 17.03.2011:

Agenda wise discussion was started by Shri Haldar, AGM (LB & RRB) and invited for any alteration / amendment of the minutes of the last SLBC Meeting dated 17.03.2011 from the house. Since no request for amendment was there, the house adopted the said minute as accepted.

Follow up action on the decision of the previous meeting dated 17.03.2011:

While going through the agenda items, the CGM, SBI requested the SLBC convener to finalize the checklist to the sponsoring department / Agricultural department, which will enable them to get the applications completed in all respect with a view to eliminating rejections.

He also requested the Sponsoring departments not to keep the applications till the last minute of the year.

The SLBC adopted in the meeting to have a simplified procedure for availing loan more particularly for small & marginal farmers. Land Possession certificate is to be devised in a simplified format as devised in Assam. Accordingly, SLBC convener would arrange for a meeting with the Panchayati Raj Department or any other authorized Department for finalizing the Land Certificate Format within July, 2011. This will be acceptable to all Banks.

While discussing on the target for PMEGP (2011-12), the CGM, SBI, said the KVIC to revise the target on the ground that out of 250 Nos., 206 Nos. allotted to SBI alone and all Banks need to participate in the development of the state. GoAP agreed with this suggestion.

Regarding the poor attendance of the higher authorities of other Banks, the Hon'ble Finance Minister, GoAP requested the GM, RBI to direct all the heads of the banks to be present in such meetings.

While discussing on the Annual Credit Plan, the CGM, SBI enquired from NABARD representative how PLP is prepared and in response Shri S. N. Chalia DGM and Mr. Vaipei, Manager, NABARD explained about preparation of activity wise PLP at district level in details. Mr. Vaipei also suggested that the Land Possession Certificate issued by Gaon Bura duly certified by Block Development Officers may be accepted by the Banks. This was adopted by the house, once the details are finalized by convenor Bank with the GoAP.

Regarding conduct of DLRC/ DCC Meetings, Spl Secretary (Finance), GoAP requested to get the meetings of all districts of A.P. completed by end of July'2011.

While discussing on setting up RSETI, the CGM, SBI wanted to know the progress report. The Branch Manager, PNB committed to start RSETI allotted to them by the end of September'2011. The Chairman, APRB informed the house that all formalities with NIRD, Hyderabad has been completed and he has also contacted the Dy Commissioner, Yupia for allotment of plot of land for setting up RSETI .Once allotment number is obtained NIRD will release necessary fund for starting up the RSETI in Papumpare district , thus enabling the APRB to start RSETI from hired premises within September'2011. It is resolved in the house that all the 6 (six) RSETIs will be set up by all the banks already allotted. For RSETI related matters, all the communication to be made by the banks through the Commissioner, Rural Development, GoAP and the respective Deputy Commissioners for land allotment, reimbursement of expenditures etc.

It was adopted in the meeting that the following banks will carry out the Financial Literacy & Credit Counselling (FLCC) activities in different districts as under :

Sl No.	District	Bank
1	Papumpare	APRB
2	Lohit	APRB
3	Anjaw	SBI
4	Tawang	SBI
5	Tirap	SBI
6	Lower Subansiri	A.P.Co-op Apex Bank
7	Changlang	PNB
8	Upper Subansiri	Canara Bank
9	Kurung Kumey	Syndicate Bank
10	East Siang	Vijaya Bank
11	West Siang	Union Bank
12	Upper Siang	Bank of India
13	East Kameng	Central Bank of India
14	West Kameng	UCO Bank
15	Dibang Valley	Indian Bank
16	Lower Dibang Valley	United Bank of India

While discussing on BSNL Connectivity, Shri Dinesh Kumar, AGM, BSNL assured that they will always be there whenever required including setting up of VSAT as per requirement at free of cost. He also said the location of Branch / BC should not have any obstruction in South East direction, to enable them to install VSAT to have clear signal from satellite.

Regarding implementation of Indira Gandhi Matrtva Sahyog Yojana (IGMSY), **Smt T.P. Loyi** , Joint Director (ICDS) , Social Welfare , Women & Child Development Department , GoAP , appraised the house about the scheme in details . She said Papumpare district of Arunachal Pradesh is selected at present for implementation of the scheme on pilot basis. She said the incentive to the pregnant & lactating women above 19 years only to be credited directly to bank accounts and not in cash or by cheque. Therefore, opening of No Frill account is very important in this regard.

Agenda under implementation of 'Swabhiman Campaign' of GOI was not discussed due to absence of any representative from IBA as scheduled.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks offered by Shri S.S.Deb, Chief Manager (SBI-Lead Bank), Itanagar

Action point that emerged in the SLBC Meeting dated 29.06.2011:

Sl No.	Action point	Action by
1	SLBC Meeting to be invariably be participated by all decision making authorities	All banks / SLBC Members
2	Govt of A.P. to discourage keeping their funds with those banks whose performance in priority sector lending is negligible.	Concerned departments , GoAP
3	Implementation of crop insurance scheme in A.P.	Deptt of Agriculture / Deptt of Finance , GoAP
4	Target under ACP and PMEGP (2011-12) to be revised	NABARD / KVIC
5	Land Possession certificate from Gaon Bura duly certified by the BDO as per simplified model of Assam to be introduced for	Concerned Department, GoAP / SLBC Convenor bank.

	Agriculture loan up to Rs.1.00 lac. Clearance from Panchayat Raj Department, GoAP to be obtained in this regard.	
6	All the 34 identified unbanked blocks of A.P. to be covered by banks by March'2012	GoAP/ RBI/ BSNLI/ Banks
7	All the 6 (Six) R-SETIs to be set up by March'2012	Commissioner (RD) , Dy Commissioners , Concerned Deptt , GoAP / Banks
8	To have clear signal from satellite for VSAT, South East direction should not have any obstruction. Setting up of VSAT by BSNL will be free of cost	RBI , BSNL , Banks
9	Reimbursement of cost of training incurred by SBI-RSETI, Doimukh for training to BPL candidates , by DRDA ,	Commissioner (RD) / DRDA, Yupia , GoAP
10	Check list to be sent to sponsoring agencies to have the documents complete in all respect	Convenor Bank on behalf of all Banks.

List of participants on 29.06.2011

SI No.	Name	Designation/Department
Govt of India	No representative attended	
State Govt		
1	Shri Kalikho Pul	Hon'ble Fin Minister
2	Smt Swati Sharma	Spl Secretary (Finance)
3	D.Pyaro	Under Secretary (Finance)
4	J.Sinha	Sr Consultant (Finance)
5	Smt N.B.Doye	Dy Director (R D)
6	Shri C.Losa	Operator, Information & Public Relation
7	Smt T.P.Loyi	Jt Director , ICDS, SW & WCD
8	Shri P.N.Khrimey	SP (HQ)
NABARD & RBI		
1	Shri N.K.Gayon	G M , RBI
2	Shri A.C.Goswami	AGM, RBI
3	Shri S.N.Chalia	DGM,NABARD
4	Shri K.Vaiphei	Manager, NABARD
BSNL		
1	Shri Dinesh Kumar	AGM

KVIC		
1	Shri A.Azgar	Development Officer
Banks & other financial institutions		
1	Shri R.K.Garg	CGM, SBI(N E Circle),
2	Shri Y Vijaya Kumar	DGM(LB & RRB) ,SBI,Mumbai
3	Shri R.R.Haldar	AGM (LB & RRB) , SBI, LHO, Guwahati
4	Shri Z.T.Khiangte	Chairman, APRB
5	Shri T.K.Deb	Sr Manager , APRB
6	Shri B.N.Das	AGM , SBI, RBO, Itanagar
7	Shri Rajesh Kumar	Asstt Manager,SBI, Itanagar
8	Shri Kumar Gaurav	Asstt Manager,SBI, Itanagar
9	Shri S.S.Deb	CM (LB), Itanagar
10	Shri A.K.Deb	CM (LB) , Tezu
11	Shri M.M. Mazumdar	CM (LB) , Dibrugarh
12	Shri D.Kumar	CM (Rural) , SBI, RO, Itanagar
13	Shri P.Dasgupta	Sr Manager , CBI, Naharlagun
14	Shri B.C.Hazarika	Sr Manager , UBI, Naharlagun
15	Shri Kabak Tani	Br Manager, NEDFI ,Itanagar
16	Shri B.C.Bharali	Asstt Manager, SIDBI,

17	Shri Gopalkrishna S.K.	Itanagar CM, Vijaya Bank, Itanagar
18	Shri U.C.Choudhury	Manager, Vijaya Bank, Itanagar
19	Shri A.Bhattacharjee	Sr Manager, Union Bank, Itanagar Br.
20	Shri Sarat Kalita	CM, UCO Bank, Itanagar Br
21	Shri K.Thakuria	Manager, Syndicate Bank, Itanagar Br
22	Shri Oten Medo	Manager, Oriental Bank of Commerce , Naharlagun
23	Shri T.Thongdok	MD, APSCAB
24	Shri S.K.Yadav	AGM, APSCAB
25	Shri Ranvijay Kumar	Sr Manager, Bank of India, Itanagar Br
26	Shri S.K.Gupta	Manager, PNB, Itanagar Br
27	Shri S.K.Dey	Sr Manager , B O I , Itanagar Br
28	Shri P.Saikia	B M , ICICI Bank, Itanagar
29	Shri Albert J.Taye	HDFC Bank, Itanagar Br
30	Shri T.N. Tsewutso	BM, Bank of Maharashtra, Itanagar Br
