AGENDA ITEM NO: 01

FINANCIAL INCLUSION PLAN (FIP) OF J&K STATE:

- (I) Provision of banking services to villages with population below 2000
- (II) Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY)

(I) Financial Inclusion Plan Phase-II

RBI vide Circular No. RBI/2011-12/606 issued under RPCD.CO.LBS.BC.No.86/02.01 /001/2011-12 dated June 19, 2012 advised all SLBCs to prepare a roadmap covering all unbanked villages of population less than 2000 and notionally allot these villages to banks by March 2013 for providing banking services in a time-bound manner. Accordingly, a total of **5582** villages having population less than 2000 were identified in J&K State for which a roadmap was drawn for providing banking services upto March 2015 and beyond in terms of Gol guidelines.

RBI new timeline for coverage of unbanked villages with population less than 2000:

In view of the Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana Phase-I being implemented through banks in a time bound manner for completion by **August 14, 2015**, Reserve Bank of India, Central office Mumbai vide its circular under <u>No. FIDD.CO.LBS.BC.No.47/02.01.001/2014-15 dated</u> <u>January 2, 2015</u> has advised the CMDs of all SLBC Convenor Banks and Lead Banks to complete the process of providing banking services in unbanked villages with **population less than 2000 by August 14, 2015** instead of **March 2016** prescribed earlier by RBI. Necessary instructions in this regard were conveyed to the concerned FIP participating banks vide J&K SLBC Secretariat reference No. LBD/SLBC/FIP/2015-319 dated February 7, 2015

The brief summary of bank-wise/ year-wise Roadmap for coverage of these allocated 5582 villages alongwith progress achieved by concerned banks upto the end of June 2015 is given below for information of the house:

S. No	Name of the Bank	Total No. of villages alloca- ted		Roadma Farget f of vil 31 st Mar. 2014	for cov		Cumula- tive target upto Mar.31, 2015	Cumula- tive progress upto Mar.31, 2015	Remaining Target to be completed by 14.08.2015 (new timeline set by RBI) in line with PMJDY	Progress achieved during Qtr. ended June, 2015	Total Achieve- ment as on June 30, 2015	No. of villages still un- covered (as on June 30, 2015
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)
1	J&K Bank	3271	1103	497	800	871	2400	2465	806	687	3152	119
2	SBI	753	111	196	215	231	522	627	126	nil	627	126
3	PNB	294	6	137	81	70	224	294	0	0	294	0
4	JKGB	1026	54	350	329	293	733	742	284	68	810	216
5	EDB	238	40	79	79	40	198	191	47	18	209	29
	TOTAL	5582	1314	1259	1504	1505	4077	4319	<mark>1263</mark>	774	5092	490

Against the remaining target of 1263 villages to be completed by 14th August, 2015, the FIP participating banks have covered 774 villages during the quarter ended June, 2015 taking total number of villages covered to 5092, which constitutes an achievement of 91% of the total allocated villages. Hence there are only 490 villages left now, which need to be covered by the new timeline set by RBI, i.e. 14.08.2015.

Bank-wise lists of BC outlets:

In compliance with RBI directives, J&K SLBC has to upload on its website: www.jkslbc.com the details of all the outlets through which banking services are being provided by the FIP participating banks in their respective allocated villages. Accordingly, the details of BC outlets in respect of J&K Bank, State Bank of India, Punjab National Bank and J&K Grameen Bank as of 31st March 2015 obtained from the concerned banks have been already uploaded on the J&K SLBC website. But no such details in respect of Ellaquai Dehati Bank are available with SLBC Secretariat though EDB has since long been reporting to J&K SLBC that they are in the process of engaging/ appointing the BCs and banking services to their respective allocated villages under FIP-II are being provided through Other Mode (viz. Mobile Vans).

It is in place to mention here that during the last meeting of the Steering Sub-Committee of SLBC on IT-enabled Financial Inclusion held on 24.6.2014, the then DGM, RBI, Mr. B. S.

Katoch had reminded Chairman EDB about their commitment of covering all the villages by fixed locations (BC Model) by 31st March 2015, in response to which the then Chairman, EDB had informed the forum that EDB had till that date covered only 12 villages by BC Model and assured that all the remaining villages will be covered by BC model by 31st March 2015. Although the said commitment date has already lapsed, EDB has not made any headway in switching over to the BC mode till date. The more astonishing fact is that today EDB is stating that they are still in the process of engaging the BCs thus back tracking from the statement of their Chairman that "12 villages have been covered by BC Mode".

The data for the quarter ended March, 2015 submitted by EDB to SLBC Secretariat shows coverage of 48 villages through Fixed Location Banking Correspondents, while as the data provided by them for quarter ended June, 2015 does not show any such coverage through BC Model. The information contained in the data was endorsed during the telephonic conversation with the SLBC Secretariat recently and the bank authorities stated that EDB does not have BC mode of operations and have not so far appointed any BC.

Coverage of villages by EDB through "Other Mode":

Ellaquai Dehati Bank has reported that they are providing banking services to its FIP allocated villages through "Other Mode" i.e. through Mobile Vans. But the bank has never provided any details regarding the number of Mobile Vans available with EDB through which the banking services are being provided to 209 villages reported by them as covered out of 238 villages allocated to them under FIP-II as well as to other villages (in population segment of >2000) earlier allocated to the bank under FIP-I. Nor have they prescribed any schedule of the visits their Mobile Vans pay to their allocated villages and whether the people of these villages are availing the banking services and to what extent.

Mobile Banking model operated by J&K Bank:

Prior to launch of Financial Inclusion campaign J&K Bank was operating the Mobile Banking Model at a number of places like in Ganderbal district for providing banking services to some remote villages like Gudoora, Gutlibagh, Dub, Batwena etc. The Mobile Van, which was connected with the Base Branch, i.e. J&K Bank, B/U Ganderbal, used to visit all its allocated villages twice a week consistently, for which a proper schedule has been devised by the bank and the villagers were fully aware about the date and timing when the mobile

van of J&K Bank with sufficient staff and banking infrastructure would visit the villages for providing banking services to the people, which includes the transactions of cash deposits, disbursements etc.

However, as regards Ellaquai Dehati Bank no such details or visiting schedules have been provided by them in respect of the Mobile Van model operated by it for providing banking services to its allocated villages. Ellaquai Dehati Bank may inform the forum as under:

- ✓ Number of Mobile Vans acquired by EDB for providing banking services to 34 villages (having population over 2000) allocated to the bank under FIP-I and 238 villages (with population <2000) allocated to it under FIP-II;</p>
- ✓ Modus-operandi of providing banking services through the "Other Mode", i.e., whether the unbanked villages are being visited once a week, twice a week, etc.
- ✓ Whether the schedules of these village visits have been properly drawn up by the bank and brought into the notice of the people to enable them to avail banking services as per the said schedules;
- ✓ The latest status of appointment of BCs by the EDB and the expected timing when the bank contemplates to switchover to the BC mode.

RBI directives regarding coverage of 5% of villages through Branch Mode:

As per RBI directives, the FIP participating banks are required to ensure that at least 5% of the un-banked villages are covered through Branch mode. Accordingly, against the target of 5582 allocated villages 279 villages were required to be covered through Branch Mode, whereas, as per the progress report of June, 2015 the concerned participating banks have so far covered only 164 branches through branch mode as detailed below:

S. No.	Name of FIP participating Bank	No. of villages allocated	Total No. of villages already covered	Remaining villages yet to be covered	Villages covered through branch mode, so far	Required to be covered through Branch mode as per RBI directive.
1	J&K Bank	3271	3152	119	115	163
2	State Bank of India	753	627	126	1	38
3	Punjab National Bank	294	294		2	15
4	J&K Grameen Bank	1026	810	216	38	51
5	Ellaquai Dehati Bank	238	209	29	8	12
	TOTAL	5582	5092	490	164	279

All the FIP participating banks are advised to take necessary measures to comply with the relative RBI guidelines in this regard.

(II) <u>Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY)</u>

Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana' a comprehensive Financial Inclusion Package was launched across the country on 28th of August 2014.

Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana ensures access to financial services by all and timely adequate credit to the excluded sections i.e. weaker sections and lower income groups of the country. It emphasizes on an urgent need to push the Financial Inclusion agenda among the financially excluded segment of the society so as to have financial stability and sustainability of economic and social order.

The consolidated agency-wise progress regarding number of accounts opened under Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana upto 30th June, 2015 is given below:

S. No	Bank	No.	of A/Cs ope	No. of Rupay	No. of Zero		
		Rural	Urban	Total	Debit Cards issued	balance accounts	
1	Public Sector Banks	184093	129229	313322	263467	140038	
2	Private Sector Banks	1088328	122826	1211154	967367	691086	
3	RRBs	88912	30718	119630	44258	56273	
4	Cooperative Banks	3044	3296	6340	0	1573	
	Total	1364377	286069	1650446	1275092	888970	

- Banks have opened 16,50,446 accounts under PMJDY upto 30th June 2015 which includes 13,64,377 accounts opened in rural areas and 2,86,069 accounts opened in urban areas.
- Banks have also issued Rupay Cards to 12,75,092 beneficiaries under the Yojana upto 30th June, 2015.

S. No	Bank	No. of A/Cs opened under PMJDY upto 30 th June, 2015						
		Rural	Urban	Total	%age share to total A/Cs opened by all banks together			
1	J&K Bank	1085919	117659	1203578	73%			
2	PNB	83530	34573	118103	7%			
3	SBI	56627	43496	100123	6%			
4	JKGB	61910	11582	73492	4%			
5	EDB	27002	19136	46136	3%			
6	Other banks	49389	59623	109014	7%			
	Total	1364377	286069	1650446				

The major contributors are tabulated hereunder:

J&K Banks contribution is 73% of the total accounts opened under the scheme by all the banks together upto 30th June, 2015.

Progress made in survey of Sub-Service Areas (SSAs) and Coverage of Households (HHs) under PMJDY-Position as on 7th July, 2015

Sr N o	Name of the Bank	SSAs alloca- ted	SSAs surveyed	SSAs where survey is under process	House- holds reported in Surveyed SSAs	Out of (v) HHs having bank A/Cs	Out of (v) HHs yet to be covered	%age of surveyed Households having Bank accounts out of (v)
	(I)	(II)	(III)	(IV)	(V)	(VI)	(VII)	(VIII)
1	J&K Bank	1367	1367	0	1112180	1112180	0	100.00%
2	SBI	294	294	0	238758	238758	0	100.00%
3	PNB	136	136	0	114215	114215	0	100.00%
4	JK GB	289	289	0	273444	273444	0	100.00%
5	EDB	83	83	0	54664	54664	0	100.00%
6	HDFC Bank	4	4	0	2080	2080	0	100.00%
7	CBI	1	1	0	538	538	0	100.00%
8	ICICIC Bank	1	1	0	1226	1226	0	100.00%
9	Canara Bank	1	1	0	570	570	0	100.00%
10	UCO Bank	1	1	0	970	970	0	100.00%
11	P&S Bank	1	1	0	387	387	0	100.00%
Tot	tal	2178	2178	0	1799032	1799032		100.00%

- All the 2,178 Sub-Service Areas allocated to 11 banks in J&K State have been surveyed by the concerned banks;
- A total of 17,99,032 households have been reported by the banks in 2,178 SSAs, which stands already covered.

The forum may record the progress under Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana and deliberate.

AGENDA ITEM NO: 02

Financial Literacy Centres (FLCs) – Guidelines:

RBI, C.O. Mumbai, vide Circular No. RBI/2011-12/590 dated June 6, 2012 has modified the earlier Model Scheme for FLCCs issued vide RBI/2008-09/371 dated February 4, 2009. The fresh guidelines envisage as under:

- While the existing FLCCs would continue to function with a renewed focus on financial literacy, lead banks are advised to set up FLCs in each of the LDM offices in a time bound manner.
- In addition banks may consider setting up need based FLCs in other locations as well.
- Further the financial literacy activities will also be undertaken by all the rural branches of Scheduled Commercial Banks;

Progress achieved in setting up of FLCs in the districts:

J&K Bank has already operationalized FLCs in all the 12 allocated districts. SBI has also operationalized FLCs in all its 10 allocated districts. The achievements under Financial Literacy initiatives during Q1 of FY 2014-15 are given hereunder as per the revised reporting format of RBI:

Name of the Sponsoring Bank	No. of Literacy Camps undertaken as per RBI Guidelines using Standardized Financial Literacy Material	No. of Persons participated in Literacy Camps	Out of (3)No. of persons already having bank A/C at the time of attending the camp	Out of (3)No. of persons opened bank A/C after attending the camp	Out of (3) persons provided Credit Linkage	Out of (6) persons who started their business venture.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
J&K Bank	314	28349	18645	5100	1208	862
SBI	119	4726	2689	832	251	107
Total	433	33075	21334	5932	1459	969

- A total of 33,075 persons have participated in 433 Financial Literacy Camps undertaken by 22 FLCs during the quarter ended June 2015.
- J&K Bank has provided services to 28,349 persons in 314 camps undertaken by its 12 FLCs during the quarter.
- SBI has provided services to 4,726 persons in 119 camps undertaken by its 10 FLCs during the said period.
- The activities undertaken by all the 22 FLCs during the quarter ended June 2015 have facilitated credit linkage to 1,459 entrepreneurs out of which 969 entrepreneurs have established their business ventures.

Financial Literacy initiatives by rural branches of banks:

In terms of RBI guidelines and as per decision taken in the 89th meeting of J&K SLBC held on 6th June 2013 all the rural branches of banks operating in the State are required to hold at least one financial literacy programme every month. Besides, <u>all the LDMs are required to</u> <u>collect the data regarding financial literacy activities undertaken by the rural branches of</u> <u>banks</u> operating in their Districts and submit the same to SLBC Secretariat.

Accordingly, in the last meeting of this Steering Sub-Committee, held on 14th June, 2014 all the Scheduled Commercial Banks having rural branches in the State were advised to strictly ensure that financial literacy programmes are held every month through their rural branches, for which progress report, as per the prescribed format already circulated by SLBC to the banks, be submitted to the Convenor Bank by 5th of every month without fail.

Progress achieved in conducting Financial Literacy camps by the rural branches of scheduled commercial banks in the State during the Q1 of CFY is given hereunder:

S.	Name of the Bank	No. of	No. of FL Camps required	Number of FL Camps	No. of
No.		Rural	to be conducted as per	Conducted during the	Persons
		branches as on	regulatory requirement during the Quarter @ one	quarter ended June 2015 using	participated
		30 th	camp per rural branch per	Standardized Financial	
		June'15	month	Literacy Material of RBI	
(i)	Public Sector Banks:				
1	State Bank of India	87	261	169	6153
2	Punjab National Bank	33	99	117	3628
3	UCO Bank	3	9	0	0
4	Central Bank of India	4	12	12	720
5	Canara Bank	6	18	9	162
6	Punjab & Sind Bank	3	9	5	121
7	Union Bank of India	2	6	4	94
8	OBC	4	12	4	85
9	Allahabad Bank	1	3	3	51
10	Indian Overseas Bank	1	3	2	15
11	Indian Bank	1	3	0	0
12	Bank of India	2	6	0	0
	SUB-TOTAL (i)	147	441	325	11029
(ii)	Private Sector Banks:				
12	J&K Bank	434	1302	778	23885
14	ICICI Bank	5	15	15	84
15	HDFC Bank	18	54	1	7
16	Yes Bank	1	3	0	0
17	Axis Bank	11	33	10	190
	SUB-TOTAL (ii)	469	1407	804	24166
(iii)	Regional Rural Banks				
18	J&K Grameen Bank	173	519	358	13652
19	Ellaquai Dehati Bank	106	318	19	2716
	SUB-TOTAL (iii)	279	837	377	16368
	Total Rural Branches	895	2685	1566	51563

From the data given it is observed that the some banks have not conducted any financial literacy camps during the quarter under review against the regulatory stipulation of conducting at least 1 camp per rural branch during the quarter, as mentioned below:

- HDFC Bank having 18 functional rural branches in the State have conducted only 1 FLC camp,
- UCO Bank having 3 functional rural branches & Bank of India having 2 rural branches in J&K State have not conducted any camp;
- Yes Bank and Indian Bank having one branch each in the State, have not conducted any camp during the quarter;

A total of 1,506 Financial Literacy Camps were organized by 895 rural branches of 19 scheduled commercial banks during the quarter under review against the target of organizing 2,685 Camps during the quarter @ one camp per rural branch per month as per RBI guidelines. The achievement is only 56% of the target.

The forum may deliberate the issue.

AGENDA ITEM NO: 03

- 1. Setting up of Rural Self-Employment Training Institutes (RSETIs) in J&K State
- 2. Allotment of land by State Govt. for creating permanent infrastructure for the RSETIs:

The idea of setting up Rural Self Employment Training Institutes (RSETIs) in all districts across the country was mooted by Government of India with the sole objective of providing self-employment training programmes to the unemployed youth for their skill up-gradation. The idea was to make the youth skillful so that they could be linked to bank credit easily for starting their own micro-enterprise successfully.

During the year 2009, MoRD, Gol vide No.I.12011/19/2008-SGSY (C) dated 7.01.2009 issued guidelines for setting up of Rural Self Employment Training Institutes (RSETIs) in all the districts of the Country with the following objectives.

- > The training offered will be demand driven
- > Rural BPL youth will be given priority
- Area in which training will be provided to a particular rural BPL youth will be decided after assessment of the aptitude of the candidate

- > Hand holding will be provided for assured credit linkage with Banks.
- Escort services will be provided for ensuring at least a two year follow up to ensure sustainability of micro enterprise undertaken by the rural BPL youth.
- Provide intensive short-term residential self-employment training programmes with free food and accommodation to rural youth for taking up self-employment initiatives and skill up-gradation for running their micro-enterprises successfully.

In the 76th meeting of J&K SLBC held on 30th July 2009, all the 22 districts of J&K State were allocated to two banks i. e J&K Bank and SBI in the ratio of 12:10 for setting up of RSETIs in accordance with the lead bank responsibilities assigned to them by RBI in the State.

Although J&K Bank and SBI have operationalized RSETIs in all their respective Lead Districts of the State. But lately it was reported by the State Coordinator, RSETIs that the RSETIs set up by SBI are functional in only 9 districts out of their 10 allocated districts, leaving District Kargil uncovered. The issue was discussed in 97th meeting of J&K SLBC held on 12th June, 2015 wherein the representative of SBI was asked to clarify the position. The DGM, SBI confirming the report informed the house that pursuant to the instructions from SBI Corporate Centre the RSETI Kargil had been abandoned as the SBI would not be getting any funds from GoI for this RSETI, as such, the same would be combined with the RSETI Leh.

The reason put forth by the DGM, SBI for closure of RSETI Kargil was not found tenable by the house as the allotment of one-time grant assistance from Ministry of Rural Development, GoI was subject to the allotment of land for the RSETIs by the State Government in terms of the GoI guidelines and till date none of the RSETI has been allotted land by the State Government as a consequence allotment of funds from GoI was pending for all the RSETIs in the State.

Since the Government of India guidelines dated 7.1.2009 envisaged that RSETIs should be set up in all the districts, accordingly, State Bank of India was advised in 97th SLBC to take necessary measures for operationalizing RSETI in district Kargil forthwith.

Deliberations of DLRC, Kargil

The issue had also come up for deliberation in the DLRC meeting of District Kargil held on 25.06.2015, wherein the LDM has informed that a temporary accommodation was provided by District Administration in the complex of DIC Kargil to start the functioning of RSETI and recently an EDP Programme for the candidates from DIC Kargil was conducted. **However, the RSETI set up by SBI at Kargil is not functional for some time.**

In the said DLRC meeting the Chairman was requested to take up the matter with the higher authorities of SBI to clarify the position and take necessary measures for operationalizing the RSETI in the District. It was informed that the District Administration has already allotted a land measuring 9 Kanals, 1 marla at village Trespone (Sankoo) to the bank for setting up of RSETI institute in the District.

	Target 2	2015-16	Progress dur 2015-16	ing Q1 of FY	Cumulative position from inception of the programme upto 31.3.2015		
Name of the Bank	Programmes	Candidates			Programmes conducted	Persons trained	
JKB	247	6960	47	1391	797	14707	
SBI	145	3490	36	850	353	8092	
Total	392	10450	83	83 2241		22799	

Performance of RSETIs in J&K State during CFY & from inception of the programme:

		settled from I 31.03.2015	Out of total Settled Candidates upto 31.03.2015				
Name of the Bank			No. of Candidates availing Bank Finance	No. of Candidates Self Financed	No. of Candidates in wage employment	%age of Credit linked to total settled	
JKB	9260	63	3452	3371	2437	37	
SBI	4517	56	880	2455	1172	19	
Total	13777	60	4332	5826	3619	31	

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 From inception upto 31st March 2015, 850 programmes were conducted by the RSETIs in J&K State in which 22,799 persons were trained, of these 13,777 persons have settled which constitutes 60% of the total persons trained upto 31st March 2015. • Of the 13,777 persons settled after attending training programmes in RSETIs, 4,332 have availed finances from various banks, 5,826 persons have started their enterprises by self financing and the remaining 3619 persons have opted for wage employment.

SBI may inform latest status regarding operationalizing the RSETI in district Kargil.

In light of the above figures forum is requested to deliberate the issue.

ii) Allotment of land by State Govt. for creating permanent infrastructure for the <u>RSETIs: Status regarding allotment of land by State Government</u>

As per MoRD, Gol Guidelines on setting up of RSETIs the land for establishing RSETIs has to be provided by the concerned State Government, free of cost, with nominal registration expenses. Gol will provide one time grant assistance to the RSETIs, upto a maximum of Rs.1.00 Crore for meeting the expenditure on construction of building (minimum covered area should be 8000 sq feet) and furniture for the same.

The said guidelines also incorporate that if allotment of land by the State Government to RSETIs takes time the banks may start functioning immediately from hired premises. Rent for hiring of premises may be borne upto a maximum of Rs.10.00 lakh, for a period not exceeding three years, out of the Rs.1.00 Crore grant of Gol.

The issue is being discussed and reviewed regularly in every meeting of J&K SLBC. The Chief Secretary, J&K Government has also convened number of meetings to review the status of identification and subsequent allotment of land to RSETIs in J&K State. In one of the meetings held on 7th August 2014 the Chief Secretary emphasized that only four (4) kanals of State land for each RSETI should be identified and in case where the state land stands already identified after completing all lawful documentations, further matter of transfer of land to the respective sponsoring bank, on lease hold basis will be taken by Rural Dev.Deptt.

Deliberations of meeting of SLSC on RSETIs held on 29.1.2015 at Civil Secretariat, Jammu

In the meeting the issue of allotment of land for RSETI Leh by the DC Leh to SBI was discussed threadbare. The Commissioner/ Secretary, RDD Mr. Shafat Noor stated that Deputy Commissioner is not authorized to handover the land to the Sponsoring Bank. He further stated that only Rural Development Department can sign the lease document as intending department and can handover

the land to the concerned sponsoring bank. The matter needs to be revisited by the State Government.

Meeting taken by Hon'ble Minister, Rural Development, J&K Govt. on 10.7.2015

On 10th July, 2015 the Hon'ble Minister Rural Dev. J&K Govt. took a meeting in his office chambers to review the progress on setting up of RSETIs in the State and allotment of state land for these RSETIs, wherein representatives from all the stakeholder organizations were present. In the said meeting, among other things, the Divisional Commissioners of Jammu / Kashmir were directed to take speedy actions for processing the papers related to transfer of land to the identified agency in the districts for the RSETIs and submit the papers to the Financial Commissioner, Revenue, who will forward them to Commissioner Secretary, Revenue by 22nd July, 2015 for issuing the orders. A copy of the minutes of the said meeting is enclosed for ready reference.

The status of allotment of land to RSETIs as on 30.06.2015: J&K Bank RSETIs

S. No.	Name of RSETI	Latest Position
1	Anantnag	Land has been identified at Bangi Nowgam ,Ashajipora under supervision of Asst. Commissioner Devp. Anantnag.But no demarcation or paper work has been done.
2	Bandipora	Land identified for the Institute at Ayatmulla, and Marg is PASTURE land. Land identified at Aloosa is hilly & nearer to Army Camp.
3	Baramulla	The land has been identified, but has not been allotted so far.
4	Budgam	05 Kanals of Land has been allotted to the Institute at Soibugh and matter has been referred to Divisional Commissioner by the Director RSETI.
5	Ganderbal	06 Kanals of land has been identified for RSETI building at Rakhi Haran which is alternate to earlier site recommended at Pandch. Papers for recommendation/endorsement from District Development Commissioner to Divisional Commissioner Kashmir have been completed.
6	Kupwara	No land has been allotted to the Institute so far.
7	Kulgam	06 Kanals of land has been identified at Chawalgam Kulgam but ownership rights has not been transferred to the Institute so far.
8	Pulwama	District Development Commissioner in DLRAC meeting on 25.05.15 has assured allotment of 10 Kanals of land at Awantipora and has asked the Director RSETI to move the file through JDP Pulwama.
9	Poonch	08 Kanals & 16 Malras of land proposed for RSETI building is still in the possession of Rural Development Department & no formal possession rights have been transferred to RSETI.
10	Rajouri	No land has been allotted to the Institute so far.
11	Shopian	6 Kanals of state land at Sindoo Shirmal has been allotted/ transferred to District Rural Devp. Dept. for setting up RSETI.Lease between Bank & Deptt. is yet to be finalized. The said land is situated on the banks of Nallah Ramb-ara which is flood prone .Director RSETI is pursuing District Administration for alternate site.
12	Srinagar	In final allotment of land query has been raised by Financial Commissioner's Office to DC Srinagar. The query was with regard to giving Indent for allotment of land through Director, Rural Development Kashmir. The Indent has been already sent to DC Office for onward submission to Financial Commissioner.

SBI RSETIS:

S.No.	RSETI Name	Latest Position
1	Jammu	Indent for the land has been placed with AC (Revenue), Jammu by Director, Rural Development. The same has been submitted to Secretariat concerned for necessary sanction for allotment in favour of Director Rural Development. Any further development in the matter is still awaited. The matter is also being discussed in the LAC & DLRC meetings for early allotment of land.
2	Samba	Land Identified: 10 kanal land under khasra no 676 at vill. Tapyal (Gagwal) and documents submitted to Div. Commissioner Jammu by Addl. DC, Samba for further necessary action, as advised by Director RSETI, Samba vide letter no. SBI/RSETI/SAMBA dated 15.03.2014. Director RSETI has also been advised to put sign board on the identified land by the District Authorities. Director RSETI has again taken up the matter in the DCC and LAC meeting and written to DRDA for early allotment of the land.
3	Udhampur	Land already identified and AC Revenue, Udhampur has advised to Divisional Commissioner Jammu vide their letter no. DCU/SQ/1194-99 dated 27.08.2014, that the identified land is free from all encumbrances. No further progress intimated
4	Reasi	Land identified : Joint Director, Department of Rural Development has advised DC Office, Reasi to submit the revenue papers of the identified land vide their letter no PR No.RD/PC/48/2009-10-11 dated 25.08.2014 for necessary action at their end. The matter has also discussed in the LAC meeting and the worthy Deputy Commissioner assured to submit the same to the concerned authorities very soon.
5	Kathua	Another piece of land measuring 10 Kanals has been identified by the District Administration which is about 4 Kms from the Kathua Town. No further progress received.
6	Kishtwar	As per Deputy Commissioner, Kistwar letter no. DCK/295-97/14 dated 10.12.2014, a land measuring 4 Kanal ½ marla identified for RSETI Kistwar at village Semna, Kistwar. The file has been sent to Divisional Commissioner Jammu for taking necessary sanctions. No further progress received
7	Doda	Land identified: Land measuring 3 Kanals has been identified for RSETI Doda at Housing Colony, near Employment Office Doda by Tehsildar Doda. The relative papers have been submitted to Deputy Commissioner Doda for perusal and necessary action. Further, during the course of DLRC and Lac meeting held on 26.09.2014, the matter was again raised by lead District Manager and Director RSETI, Deputy Commissioner has assured of all help and co- ordination in allotting the land at the earliest
8	Ramban	A fresh piece of land measuring 05 Kanal and 01 Marla has been identified at Village Sujmatna Tehsil Ramsoo. The revenue papers duly authenticated by Director Rural Development Jammu submitted to Divisional Commissioner, Jammu for further necessary action. No further progress received
9	Kargil	Land identified: Land measuring 7 Kanals and 4 Marlas has been identified about 40 Kms from the Kargil town at Thangdumbur (Sankoo) for establishment of RSETI at Kargil. Meanwhile, Director RSETI Kargil is in the process of obtaining Khasra no. of the said land from the Revenue Department. No further progress received
10	Leh	Land allotted

From the above table it is observed that land has been allotted to RSETI Leh, however,

in the remaining 21 districts only identification of land has taken place, but formal allotment has not been given to the concerned Sponsoring banks.

Govt. of J&K to inform the latest position regarding formal transfer of the Land to the concerned Sponsoring Banks.

House is requested to deliberate upon the issue.

AGENDA ITEM NO: 04

Implementation of Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Scheme in J&K State:

Strategy, guidelines on Financial Inclusion issued by Gol, MoF, DFS vide Circular dated 21.10.2011 require that benefits and subsidies under various Government Schemes must be transferred electronically into the accounts of the beneficiaries and such basic banking accounts be opened by banks under Financial Inclusion to facilitate direct transfer of such benefits and subsidies.

In order to work out modalities with regard to implementation of Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Scheme and its convergence with Financial Inclusion Plan (FIP), the Government of J&K had formed a Committee headed by Principal Secretary Finance. Consequent upon decisions taken in the maiden meeting of the said Committee on 25th April 2013 the Government of J&K has conveyed as under:

- Finance Department, J&K Govt. to be the umbrella department, instead of Information Technology Deptt., to coordinate, oversee and facilitate the roll out of EBT in the State on a fast track basis. The concerned Administrative Department I/C of the Economic Growth oriented/ other Social Security Benefit Schemes to be the Nodal Departments.
- J&K Bank to be the Leader Bank in all the 22 districts of the State.
- Nodal Departments to open savings accounts in their name in the bank branches of Leader Banks and other Participating Banks at the district headquarters for electronic transfer of beneficiaries' entitlements into the savings accounts by the Treasury Bank of the State Government at the District level for, in turn, electronic transfer of the benefit to the beneficiaries' accounts opened in various bank branches in the district.
- Nodal Department to send instructions to Leader Bank in each district together with Government entitlements to each beneficiary in electronic form.
- State IT Department to take responsibility of building a comprehensive architecture for sustainable and robust Government entitlement disbursement mechanism across the State through J&K Bank for ensuring transfer of money electronically into the savings accounts opened by the concerned Nodal Department I/C of the economic growth oriented / other social security Benefit Schemes, with the Leader Bank through the concerned District Treasury Bank route.
- EBT to be rolled out in a phased manner with 6 districts of Ganderbal, Jammu, Kargil, Leh, Rajouri and Srinagar to be covered in the first phase on pilot basis, for which the target date

was 31st July, 2013. This is as per the decision taken in Special SLBC meeting held on 08.05.2013 at SKICC, Srinagar;

- The EBT roll out to be under the twin approach, both district and multi-schemes oriented rather than district and one scheme specific like NREGS of Rural Development Department or NOAPS of Social Welfare Department.
- MoU to be signed between Finance Department and the Leader Bank, as per the mutually agreed format for the hassle-free implementation of EBT Scheme.

While reporting progress under the scheme the Leader Bank (J&K Bank) has informed as under:

- Lead District Officers and Cluster Heads are working as Nodal Officers as well as Supervisors in Lead & Non-Lead districts of the bank respectively.
- All Nodal Officers have been advised to furnish bio-data of the designated officers of other banks operating in their respective districts for creation of user-ID for providing access on bank's SFTP server for uploading & downloading data.
- Instructions have been issued to concerned quarters for completion of account opening process as per the scheme.
- Data feeding of Social Welfare beneficiaries of different districts on SFTP server is in progress.
- MoU between Finance Department, J&K Government and J&K Bank was signed on 26th November 2013, as per the mutually agreed format for the hassle-free implementation of EBT Scheme. Pursuant to a substantive decision taken in this behalf at Special meeting of SLBC at Srinagar on May 8, 2013, which was presided over by the Hon'ble Governor RBI with Hon'ble Chief Minister, J&K State as Chief Guest, the EBT/DBT Scheme in the first phase to be launched in six pilot districts of the State namely Srinagar, Ganderbal, Jammu, Rajouri, Kargil and Leh and beneficiaries of IGNOAPS-an old age pension scheme was to be covered under the scheme during the phase first.

Progress under the Scheme

EBT Scheme has been successfully implemented in six districts of the State i.e., Srinagar, Ganderbal, Jammu, Rajouri, Kargil & Leh in the first phase and benefits under IGNOAPS have been transferred into the accounts of beneficiaries successfully. In the 97th SLBC meeting the leader bank informed that the data validation in respect of remaining 16 districts is under process and would be completed soon.

The District-wise progress viz-a-viz validation of beneficiaries' accounts under the Scheme in all the 22 districts, is as under:

S. No	District	JK Bank Accounts Received	Other Bank Accounts	Total Accounts Received	JK Bank Accounts Validated	Other Bank Accounts Validated	Total Accounts validated
1	Anantnag	5016	0	5016	4989	0	4989
2	Bandipora	2913	1445	4358	2637	0	2637
3	Baramulla	3717	3871	7588	3318	3621	6939
4	Budgam	11401	0	11401	11076	0	11076
5	Doda	7467	0	7467	7125	0	7125
6	Ganderbal	4914	0	4914	4870	0	4870
7	Jammu	11465	1888	13353	9229	1044	10273
8	Kargil	2594	0	2594	2373	0	2373
9	Kathua	3511	214	3725	1747	181	1928
10	Kishtwar	4164	0	4164	3615	0	3615
11	Kulgam	4140	0	4140	3878	0	3878
12	Kupwara	4953	0	4953	4908	0	4908
13	Leh	1223	9	1232	1186	0	1186
14	Poonch	4241	1034	5275	3433	662	4095
15	Pulwama	5033	0	5033	4551	0	4551
16	Rajouri	9283	2049	11332	8179	1783	9962
17	Ramban	1914	0	1914	1633	0	1633
18	Reasi	1260	0	1260	977	0	977
19	Samba	2962	1987	4949	2638	1231	3869
20	Shopian	1368	0	1368	1352	0	1352
21	Srinagar	5006	0	5006	4991	0	4991
22	Udhampur	4284	0	4284	4212	0	4212
		102829	12497	115326	92917	8522	101439

Progress in validation of Accounts under EBT Scheme-Position as on 22.07.2015

As per the data received from J&K Bank, a total of **1,15,326 accounts** have been received from various banks for validation, which includes **1,02,829** accounts received from J&K Bank and **12,497** accounts received from other banks. A total of **1,01,439** accounts have been validated. This includes **92,917** accounts validated out of **1,02,829** accounts received from J&K Bank (90%) and **8,522** accounts validated out of **12,497** accounts received from other banks (68%).

House may deliberate the issue

Agenda Item No. 05

Strengthening of Lead Bank Offices of State Bank of India:

In the last meeting of the Steering Sub-Committee held on 24.06.2014, it was decided that the State Bank of India shall suitably strengthen their Lead Bank Office and ensure to post sufficient staff in all their Lead District **Offices**, so that the lead bank activities are carried out smoothly and the delay experienced in submission of data to RBI, SLBC and other quarters is avoided. State Bank of India was directed to take action in the matter expeditiously and confirm the same to SLBC/ RPCD, RBI.

But, the SBI authorities have not taken any positive action in this regard. No staff augmentation has taken place in the Lead Bank offices of SBI, as such the difficulties being faced by SLBC Secretariat on account of delayed submission of data etc. are persisting.

SBI may inform the forum the status regarding strengthening of their Lead Bank Office/ Lead District Offices.

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Any other issue with the permission of Chair.