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The Members of the SLBC Sub Committee on Digital Payment

Re: Minutes of the SLBC Sub-Committee meeting on Digital Payment held on 06.12.2023:

A meeting of SLBC Sub-Committee on Digital Payment was held on 06.12.2023 to review the progress made in Expanding and Deepening of Digital Payment Ecosystem as on 30.09.2023 for two newly adopted districts, i.e- Paschim Bardhaman and Purba Medinipur, in the state of West Bengal. The meeting was participated through VC by Sri Partha Sarathi Dutta, Dy. Director, Institutional Finance, GoWB; Sri Amit Kumar Mandal, AGM, RBI; Sri Sanjeev Kumar, AGM, NABARD and representatives of major member banks.

At the outset, Sri Shio Shankar Singh, General Manager, SLBC West Bengal, welcomed all the participants in the meeting. He briefly narrated about the developments happened in Expanding and Deepening of Digital Payment Ecosystem in adopted two districts as on 30.09.2023. The major points of discussion along with the action points emerged during the sub-committee meeting are given below:

1. Progress made in Expanding and Deepening of Digital Payment Ecosystem:

Sri Shio Shankar Singh apprised the house that after 100% digitalisation of Nadia and Howrah district, SLBC adopted Paschim Bardhaman and Purba Medinipur district in 160th SLBC Meeting with an objective of making these two districts 100% digitally enabled within a time span of 12 months effective from 01.04.2023.

In Paschim Bardhaman district, member banks have covered 31,24,792 no of savings accounts in any one digital channel out of total 37,18,904 no of eligible savings accounts, thus achieving 84.02% digital coverage in the district, whereas in case of current accounts, member banks have covered 1,39,088 no of accounts in any one digital channel out of total 1,65,413 no of eligible cases, thus achieving 84.09% digital coverage in the district.

In case of Purba Medinipur district, member banks have covered 47,04,649 no. of savings accounts in any one digital channel out of total 61,08,113 no of eligible savings accounts, thus achieving 77.02% digital coverage in the district. In case of current accounts member banks have covered 92,665 no. of accounts in any one digital channel out of total 1,35,795 no. of eligible cases, thus achieving 68.24% digital coverage in the district.

He expressed his concern about the lower digital achievement percentage in Purba Medinipur district.

He also suggested that member banks should focus on providing digital channels to the customers at the time of opening bank accounts itself so that no accounts are left out for digitisation.

(Action Point 1: Member Banks)



Sri Sanjeev Kumar, AGM, NABARD informed the house that recently NABARD had selected Bagda Krishi Mandi under North 24 Pargana district for digitalisation of the cess collection process and also to include the farmers of that mandi with various digital channels. In this regard, he requested Indian Bank and LDM of North 24 Pargana to provide handholding support to them to achieve the goal of digitisation process.

(Action Point 2: Indian Bank, LDM North 24 Pargana)

Sri Amit Kumar Mandal, AGM, RBI requested the member banks operating in Purba Medinipur district to expedite the process of digitalisation so that the district can achieve 100 % digitalisation within the stipulated time frame.

(Action Point 3: Member Banks)

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the dignitaries & other participants by Sri S. S. Singh.



(Shio Shankar Singh)
General Manager
SLBC, West Bengal

List of participants in Digital Payment Sub-Committee Meeting held on 06.12.2023

SI No.	Name	Designation	Organisation
1	Sri Partha Sarathi Dutta	Dy. Director	Institutional Finance, GoWB
2	Sri Amit Kumar Mandal	Asst General Manager	RBI
3	Sri Sanjeev Kumar	Asst General Manager	NABARD
4	Sri Shio Shankar Singh	General Manager	SLBC, West Bengal
5	Sri Sunil Kumar	Asst General Manager	SBI
6	Sri Subhabrata Dutta	Chief Manager	SLBC, West Bengal
7	Smt Parayani Saren	Chief Manager	PNB
8	Smt Purabi Das Mehra	Chief Manager	UCO Bank
9	Smt Anwasha Baidya	Senior Manager	Bank Of India
10	Sri Vishal Sinha	Senior Manager	Union Bank of India
11	Sri Chanchal Nayan	Senior Manager	Indian Bank
12	Smt Anwasha Baidya	Senior Manager	Bank of India
13	Smt Bidisha Chatterjee	Senior Manager	Bandhan Bank
14	Sri Dipesh Chakraborty	State Nodal Officer	AXIS Bank
15	Sri Pradipta Chakraborty	Manager	SLBC, West Bengal
16	Sri Kunal Kumar	Manager	Bank of Baroda
17	Sri Tathagata Maitra	Manager	BGVB
18	Sri Asutosh Sarangi	Manager	Central Bank Of India
19	Sri Amit Dutta	Manager	Canara Bank
20	Sri Ripon Golder	Manager	ICICI Bank

