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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

BOM	Bank of Maharashtra
SBI	State Bank of India
Dena	Dena Bank
BOB	Bank of Baroda
BOI	Bank of India
CBI	Central Bank of India
Union	Union Bank of India
PNB	Punjab National Bank
Canara	Canara Bank
Indian	Indian Bank
Synd	Syndicate Bank
UCO	United Commercial Bank
Alla	Allahabad Bank
IOB	Indian Overseas Bank
Sangli	Sangli Bank Ltd.
UWB	United Western Bank Ltd.
OBC	Oriental Bank of Commerce
NBI	New Bank of India
Karad	Bank of Karad Ltd.
Vijaya	Vijaya Bank
NDCC	Nashik District Central Cooperative Bank Ltd.

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LDB	Maharashtra State Cooperative Land Development Bank
Other Co- operatives	Urban Cooperative Banks
MSFC	Maharashtra State Financial Corporation
SSI	Small Scale Industries
SICOM	State Industrial Corporation of Maharashtra
NKRDMC	Nashik Road Deolali Merchant Cooperative Bank Ltd.

INTRODUCTION

The lead bank scheme was introduced in India towards the close of 1969. It is an important milestone in the banking system of India. It has given a direction and purpose to the role of commercial banks in the economic development of the country.

The study of the lead bank scheme is done for the purpose of knowing -

- a) How the lead bank scheme is implemented by commercial banks in Nashik district?
- b) How the programme of branch expansion is implemented in the district under lead bank scheme?
- c) What are the steps taken in implementing the lead bank scheme?
- d) How the districts in the country are allotted among the commercial banks?
- e) What is the performance of individual banks in implementing the lead bank scheme?
- f) What are the sectorwise targets and achievements of commercial banks as well as of cooperative banks in the district?

The period 1978 to 1988, is taken into consideration for the study of the work of the lead bank scheme

in Nashik district. The Bank of Maharashtra is acting as a lead bank in Nashik district.

The objective of the study of lead bank scheme is to review the implementation of the lead bank scheme with reference to

- 1) Allocation of districts among commercial banks,
- 2) The pattern of branch expansion,
- 3) Preparation of district credit plans, its targets and achievements.

The present study is based mainly on the district credit plans prepared by the Bank of Maharashtra.

This study of lead bank scheme depends mainly on secondary data. Following reports, credit plans and annual action plans are the sources of secondary data.

- 1) The Basic Statistical Returns published by Reserve Bank of India,
- 2) Trend and Progress of Banking in India published by Reserve Bank of India,
- 3) Annual Reports published by Reserve Bank of India,
- 4) Report on Currency and Finance,
- 5) Banking Statistics of India,
- 6) Banking Commission Report,

7) District Credit Plans and Annual Action Plans prepared by Bank of Maharashtra,

8) India 1986, India 1987 and India 1988.

The dissertation work on lead bank scheme is divided into seven chapters.

Chapter I presents salient economic features of Nashik district.

In Chapter II, the concept of lead bank scheme, its objectives and functions are outlined.

Chapter III discusses the major steps in the implementation of lead bank scheme.

Chapter IV discusses the branch expansion programme in Nashik district under lead bank scheme.

Chapter V explains district credit plans and bankwise, sectorwise performance of commercial banks and cooperative banks.

In Chapter VI, the performance of the lead bank scheme in Nashik district is examined.

Summary and conclusions of the present study are given in Chapter VII.