Interest Rates on Advances

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In exercise of the powers conferred by Sections 21 and 35A of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949, and in partial modification of paragraph 1 of its Directive DBOD No. Dir. BC. 106/13.03.00/2000-01 dated April 19, 2001, the Reserve Bank of India, being satisfied that it is necessary and expedient in the public interest to do so, hereby directs that:

- i. With effect from April 1, 2002, banks shall move over to charging of interest on loans/advances at **monthly rests**. However, interest on monthly rests shall **not** be applicable to agricultural advances and banks shall continue to follow the existing practice of charging/compounding of interest on agricultural advances linked to crop seasons.
- ii. Application of interest on monthly rests shall be restricted to **Cash Credit** and **Overdraft** accounts only.
- iii. In the case of loans of longer/fixed tenor, banks shall move over to application of interest at monthly rests at the time of **review** or **renewal** of such loan accounts.
- **iv.** Interest at monthly rests shall be applied in case of all **new** term loans and other loans of longer/fixed tenor.
- **2.** All other terms and conditions relating to interest rates on advances as contained in directives, issued from time to time, shall remain unaffected.

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