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The Chief Executive Officers of All Primary (Urban) Co-operative banks

Dear Sir/Madam,

Loans and advances to directors etc-—directors as surety/guarantors- Clarification

Please refer to our circular UBD.BPD.CIR.18/13.05.00/03-04 dated October 1, 2003 advising banks not to sanction loans and advances to directors, their relatives and firms/concerns in which they are interested w.e.f 1-10-2003.

- 2. Certain banks /Federations have sought our clarification as to whether directors can stand as Surety/Guarantor to the loans and advances sanctioned by the Urban Co-operative banks. In this connection, we clarify that sanction of loans and advances against the surety/guarantee of the directors is against the spirit of our above circular. In view of above, the directors and relatives cannot stand as surety/guarantor to the loans and advances (both secured and unsecured) sanctioned by the UCBs.
- 3. Please acknowledge receipt to the concerned Regional Office of RBI.

Yours faithfully,
Sd/(N.S.Vishwanathan)
Chief General Manager