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CMDs/CEOs of all Scheduled Banks,

Dear Sir,

Cheque Truncation - Pilot Implementation-Image Standards

Please refer to the circular RBI/2004-2005/28 Ref: DIT.CO.No. 1/09.63.36/2004-05 dated 1 July, 2004 on Pilot Implementation of Cheque Truncation.

- 2. It has been decided that the following image standards shall be adopted for the Image Based Cheque Truncation model in India:
 - Number of Images 3 viz. Gray Scale Front Image of the instrument, Black and White Front Image of the instrument and Black and White Reverse Image of the instrument
- 3. Keeping in view the various factors like storage, transmission, reproduction of images, and ease of signature verification etc. it has been decided to adopt the following parameters:

Image Type	Minimum DPI	Format	Compression
Front GreyScale	100 DPI	JPEG	JPEG
Front Black & White	200 DPI	TIFF	CCITT G4
Reverse Black & Whit	te 200 DPI	TIFF	CCITT G4

The image quality of the Grey Scale image shall be 8 bits/pixel (256 levels).

4. The exact data structures and the type of endorsement shall be communicated in due course. The current MICR line shall be unchanged and the existing E13 B Font shall continue to be used.

Yours faithfully,

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