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The Chairman/Managing Director
All Public Sector Banks

Dear Sir,

New " Self Employment Scheme for Rehabilitation of Manual Scavengers" (SRMS)- Achievement of targets

Please refer to our Master circular RPCD.No.SP.BC. 10/ 09.03.01/ 2007-08 dated July 1, 2008 on the captioned subject. It is the intention of the Government of India that the new SRMS scheme should be administered as a national priority with a resolute sense of purpose and an objective to rehabilitate all the remaining scavengers and their dependents by March 2009.

2. Accordingly, in order to achieve the above target, you are advised to ensure strict adherence to the guidelines / instructions given in paras 7.2 to 7.12 of our Master Circular dated July 1,2008 (as above) for the purpose.

3. The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment is rigorously monitoring the implementation of the new SRMS scheme. We, therefore, advise you to issue suitable instructions to your Controlling Offices and branches in this regard. The performance under the scheme may also be reviewed at different fora under the Lead Bank Scheme, at SLBC meetings, etc.

4. Please acknowledge receipt.

Yours faithfully,

(B.P. Vijayendra)
Chief General Manager