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The Chairman/Chief Executive Officer/Managing Director All registered Securitisation Companies/Reconstruction Companies

Dear Sir

## Acquisition of Financial Assets by Securitisation Companies/Reconstruction Companies (SC/RCs) - Clarifications

References have been received by the Bank seeking clarifications whether acquisition of financial assets by one SC/RC from another SC/RC will be in conformity with the provisions of SARFAESI Act/ guidelines issued by the Bank in the matter. Further, certain SC/RCs have desired to know if the SC/RCs can deploy their funds for the purpose of restructuring of acquired loans to enable them to realise their dues.

- 2. The issues were examined and our response is as under:
- (i) A Securitisation Company/Reconstruction Company is neither a 'bank' in terms of provisions of Section 2(1)(c) of SARFAESI Act, 2002 nor a 'financial institution' in terms of provisions of Section 2(1)(m) of the said Act. Therefore, acquisition of financial assets by one SC/RC from another SC/RC will not be in conformity with the provisions of SARFAESI Act, 2002.
- (ii) 'Restructuring of loans by SC/RC' is one of the measures allowed to be undertaken by SC/RCs for realisation of their dues. As such, there is no bar on

SC/RCs deploying their funds for undertaking restructuring of acquired loan account with the sole purpose of realizing their dues.

Yours Sincerely

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