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The Chairman and Managing Director / Chief Executive Officer All Scheduled Commercial Banks (Including RRBs) and Scheduled State Co-operative Banks / Scheduled (Primary) Urban Co-operative Banks

Dear Sir/Madam,

<u>Detection and Reporting Mechanism of Counterfeit Notes –</u> Monetary Policy Statement 2012-13

Please refer to our <u>Directive No. 3158/09.39.00 (Policy)/2009-10 dated November 19, 2009</u> read with <u>Circular No. NPD.3161/03.39.00 (Policy)/2009-10 dated November 19, 2009</u> on Sorting / Processing of banknotes, advising the banks that banknotes in the denomination of 100 and above may be re-issued over their counters or through ATMs, only if such banknotes have been duly checked for authenticity / genuineness by machines. Further, the banks were also advised to use such machines in all bank branches with average daily cash receipt of ₹ 50 lakh and above, within a definite time frame.

- 2. In light of Para 127 of the Monetary Policy Statement 2012-13 announced by RBI Governor on April 17, 2012 (copy enclosed), banks should now re-align their cash management in such a manner so as to ensure that cash receipts in the denominations of ₹ 100 and above should not be put into re-circulation without the notes being machine processed for authenticity.
- 3. The above instructions shall come into effect immediately and are applicable to all bank branches, irrespective of the volume of daily cash receipt.

- 4. Any non-compliance will be construed as violation of the above mentioned Directive issued by the Reserve Bank.
- 5. Please acknowledge receipt.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. N Krishna Mohan)

Chief General Manager

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