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The Chairman
All Regional Rural Banks (RRBs)

Dear Sir,

Increase in Housing Loan Limit under Priority Sector

Please refer to <u>paragraph 7.1</u> of our circular RPCD.No.RRB.BC.20/03.05.33/2007-08 dated August 22, 2007 on lending to Priority Sector, wherein loans up to Rs.20 lakh irrespective of location, to individuals for purchase / construction of dwelling unit per family, excluding loans granted by banks to their own employees are eligible for classification under priority sector.

- 2. Pursuant to the announcement made by Union Finance Minister in paragraph 44 of the budget for the year 2011-12, it has been decided to increase the above limit from Rs.20 lakh to Rs.25 lakh.
- 3. The above change will be applicable to housing loans sanctioned on or after April 1, 2011.
- 4. Please acknowledge receipt of the circular to our Regional Office concerned.

Yours faithfully

(C.D.Srinivasan)

Chief General Manager