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RBI imposes monetary penalty on The Nagar Sahkari Bank Ltd., Maharajganj

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has, by an order dated March 27, 2024, imposed a monetary penalty of ₹5.00 lakh (Rupees Five lakh only) on The Nagar Sahkari Bank Ltd., Maharajganj (the bank) for non-compliance with the specific directions issued by RBI under Supervisory Action Framework (SAF). This penalty has been imposed in exercise of powers vested in RBI, conferred under the provisions of section 47A(1)(c) read with sections 46(4)(i) and 56 of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949.

The statutory inspection of the bank was conducted by RBI with reference to its financial position as on March 31, 2022. Based on supervisory findings of non-compliance with RBI directions and related correspondence in that regard, a notice was issued to the bank advising it to show cause as to why penalty should not be imposed on it for its failure to comply with the said directions.

After considering the bank's reply to the notice and oral submissions made by it during the personal hearing, RBI found, *inter alia*, that the charge of incurring operating expenses on gifting silver coins to shareholders despite RBI having issued specific directions under SAF to curtail operating and administrative expenses to the maximum extent possible, was sustained, warranting imposition of monetary penalty to the extent of non-compliance.

This action is based on deficiencies in regulatory compliance and is not intended to pronounce upon the validity of any transaction or agreement entered into by the bank with its customers. Further, imposition of this monetary penalty is without prejudice to any other action that may be initiated by RBI against the bank.

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