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**RBI imposes monetary penalty on The Visakhapatnam Co-operative Bank Ltd,  
Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh**

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed, by an order dated August 25, 2022, a monetary penalty of ₹55.00 lakh (Rupees Fifty five lakh only) on The Visakhapatnam Co-operative Bank Ltd, Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh (the bank) for non-adherence/violation of directions issued under (i) Income Recognition, Asset Classification, Provisioning and Other related Matters-UCBs and (ii) Finance for Housing Schemes-UCBs. This penalty has been imposed in exercise of powers vested in RBI under the provisions of Section 47 A (1) (c) read with Section 46 (4) (i) and Section 56 of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 (AACs), taking into account the failure of the bank to adhere to the aforesaid directions issued by RBI.

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.

**Background**

The inspection report of the bank based on its financial position as on March 31, 2020, revealed inter alia, violation/non-compliance with directions issued under Income Recognition, Asset Classification, Provisioning and Other related Matters-UCBs and Finance for Housing Schemes-UCBs. Based on the same a Notice was issued to the bank advising it to show cause as to why penalty should not be imposed for non-compliance with the directions

After considering the bank's reply and oral submissions during the personal hearing, RBI came to the conclusion that the aforesaid charges of non-compliance with RBI directions were substantiated and warranted imposition of monetary penalty.

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