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## EDITORIAL

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#### **Technology-Driven NBFCs Enabling Inclusive Growth**

The banking and finance sector in India has been experiencing enormous expansion in alignment with the technological advancements. Taking this growth to the next level, several new segments are coming into prominence, promising inclusive growth of the society.

Filling the gaps left by the public sector banks and large private banks in serving the underserved, Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs), Small Finance Banks, Payments Banks, etc, are stepping up their game to meet new demands of customers with diverse credit offerings and transactional feasibilities.

In the light of this changing landscape, our cover story - 'Non-Banking Financial Companies: Scripting Dawn of New Age Banking' - analyses the significance, challenges and the way forward for the NBFCs. The story touches upon various aspects concerning the revamping of the banking sector and the significant role to be played by NBFCs in effecting that change.

The latest issue of The Banking & Finance Post also carries an analysis, written jointly by Ashwini Kumar, Additional Economic Adviser, Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs, Government of India and Reema Jain, Assistant Director, Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs, Government of India, highlighting the role municipal bonds can play in financing some of the big urban infrastructure projects.

In July this year, Elets Technomedia organised the 2nd BFSI CTO Summit in Mumbai. The summit highlighted the growing interface of technology in the banking sector.

It saw the esteemed presence of eminent personalities like Padma Jaiswal, Secretary, Department of Cooperation, Goa, Kaustubh Dhavse, Joint Secretary, Chief Minister Office and Officer on Special Duty to Chief Minister, Maharashtra and Shiv Kumar Bhasin, Chief Technology Officer, State Bank of India and Chief Technology Officers, Chief Information Officers, Chief Information Security Officers, General Manager-Information Technology of the leading Public and Private banks across India, senior level executives, technology innovators and solution providers. This issue also carries the report of the 2nd BFSI CTO Summit.

In keeping with its vision to help the stakeholders in BFSI sector find innovative solutions to various issues in the ever evolving sector, Elets plans to organise 2nd BFSI Cloud & Security Summit in Mumbai in the month of December to enable exclusive exchange of ideas on cloud computing. We hope to see vou there.

Looking forward to our readers' invaluable feedback.





Dr Ravi Gupta Elets Technomedia Pvt Ltd and Editior-in-Chief The Banking & Finance Post





## NON-BANKING FINANCIAL COMPANIES SCRIPTING DAWN OF NEW-AGE BANKING

With India striving to join the developed nations' club, there is a lot that needs to be done in various sectors. As the country's development narrative is being influenced by banking sector, the Central Government driven schemes like Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) could be key to effect a major transformation as it has already surged the number of bank accounts, writes Rashi Aditi Ghosh of Elets News Network (ENN).



#### ■ volution of NBFCs

■ NBFCs started their operations in India in the 1960s. Today, they have transformed themselves into a substantial contributor in the country's economic growth by supplementing the effort of banks and other financial institutions.

"NBFCs (unlike banks) have operational viability at lower volumes due to relatively fewer regulatory requirements, which makes it possible for NBFCs to focus on niche products or market segments, and have a greater understanding of their focus segments. This, in turn, leads to better customised products, lower delinquency rates, greater customer satisfaction and overall Financial Inclusion," says Ashok Bajaj, Managing Director and Chief Financial Officer, Insta Capital.

In a country like ours, where 70 per cent of the population resides in rural areas, NBFCs certainly have a greater role to play.

The inevitable role of NBFCs in nation building through Financial Inclusion and assisting banks in providing credit facilities to the unbanked segments of the society and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) is undeniable.

"NBFC are the last mile connectivity in the overall financial intermediation chain. Banks do not have adequate



branches and their ability to reach out is restricted. Hence, NBFCs are very important in the financial chain," says KM Vishwanathan, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer, M Power Micro Finance Pvt Ltd.

NBFCs' grassroots level understanding of their customers' socio-economic profile and relevant knowledge of their credit needs provide them an edge over other financial institutions. Their ability to innovate and customise products based on clients' needs has enabled them to deliver credit to the MSMEs.

"India is a land of financial diversity that garners most of its Gross Development Product (GDP) from Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs). It is a matter of irony that most of these enterprises are starved of capital to a large extent," adds Vishwanathan.

"While banks have not been able to fulfill the requirements of these underserved segments, NBFCs have been able to create greater Financial Inclusion by lending on the basis of business potential and cash flow rather than credit history or collateral cover," he says.

#### **Understanding NBFCs**

According to the Reserve Bank of India, "an NBFC is a financial entity registered under the Companies Act, 1956, that can deal with business of loans and advances, shares, stocks, bonds,



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debentures, securities, leasing, hirepurchase, insurance, or chit business".

However, it is important to note that any institution that primarily does business of handling agriculture, industrial activity, purchase or sale of any goods, or is related to selling, buying or building of immovable property is not necessarily an NBFC. A non-banking company that deals with receiving deposits in any form can be termed as an NBFC. (Source: Reserve Bank of India)

#### **Rising Significance of NBFCs**

The mounting debt on the public sector banks due to the exponential rise of the Non-Performing Assets (NPAs) is affecting their capacity to meet the lending demands, especially in the rural areas. This is elaborating the scope of NBFCs among the rural populace by befitting the credit necessities.

The consistent growth of NBFCs is credited to the wide range of product line, better affordability, effecting reach, strong risk management capabilities and relevant understanding of the customer segments.

It is evident that the latent growing

demands of the digitally rising India will further fuel up the growth of NBFCs. Consulting firm PricewaterhouseCoopers (PWC) has predicted that the improving macroeconomic conditions, greater credit penetration, inflated consumptions and increasing digital trends will enable the NBFC's credit growth to attain a healthy rate of 7 to 10 per cent (real growth rate) over the next five years.

In terms of financial assets, NBFCs have recorded a Compound Annual Growth Rate (CAGR) of 19 per cent over the past few years, comprising 13 per cent of the total credit which is expected to reach nearly 18 per cent by 2018-19.

"NBFCs that are truly bringing down the turnaround time of loan applications to as little as a few hours or even minutes (for small ticket sizes). Such short turnaround time is only possible due to e-Know Your Customer, online banking and cloud based lending systems that are being implemented rapidly. Today, every company knows that they must innovate or sooner or later they will cease to be relevant," says Bajaj from Insta Capital.

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#### **The Way Forward**

Introduction of various specialised players is transforming the banking value chain completely. This offers a strategic opportunity for the NBFCs to assure a sustainable growth in the long run.

Collaboration with players like Payments Banks, bill payment providers and other financial institutions, such as insurance and asset management companies, will assist NBFCs a complete preposition, starting, from deposits to lending, investments and transactions.

The government and regulatory bodies have taken positive measures to increase this number (and subsequently financial access) by allowing, in principal, licenses to as many as 21 players to establish specialty banks over the next 18 months. This will also enable the NBFCs to escalate their sustenance further.

It is evident that the strong understanding of the market enables the NBFCs to extend their reach to a greater extent. This is emerging as a better alternative to the traditional ways of banking.

In addition, the Indian consumers are increasingly getting inclined towards digital way of living. According to PWC, India is currently the second biggest smartphone market, with a user base of 220 million, and is expected to cross 300 million users by 2017.

For staying relevant in this rapidly changing environment, NBFCs need to coin a strategy to enhance their product portfolio (positioning and pricing), processes (internal and customer facing) and end-to-end customer experience.

Further, NBFCs need to leverage the vast digital and social customer data available for offering a better customer

service to the customers.

For accelerating their growth, NBFCs need to work in sync with Narendra Modi Government's ambitious Digital India programme, a flagship programme initiated to digitally empower the citizens. To sustain in this dynamic environment, NBFCs will have to find ways to serve the millennial customers through digital means.

Credit rating agency ICRA has predicted that NBFCs, excluding NBFC-MFIs, are likely to attain an increase in the 90-plus day delinguencies, by about 20-50 basis points.

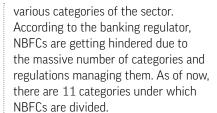
The firm has predicted that the implementation of the Goods and Service Tax (GST) is likely to have a transitional impact on small businesses and selfemployed borrowers, the key target segments of NBFCs.

#### **Factors Leading to NBFCs' Growth:**

- Stress on Public Sector Units (PSUs)
- · Latent credit demand
- · Digital disruption, especially for micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) and small and medium enterprises (SMEs)
- Increased consumption
- · Distribution reach and sectors where traditional banks do not lend

#### Role of RBI in boosting NBFCs

Narrating a new growth story for the NBFCs, the RBI is planning to prune



India's central bank is now planning to trim these segments to initiate activity-based regulation from an entity-based one.

Prior to this, in November 2014, the RBI had reviewed the complete regulatory framework for NBFCs to analyse its activity-based supervision.

Then the apex bank had laid emphasis on making the regulations convenient by integrating the norms with banks to a limited extent.

But it is assumed that the initiations were made in the wake of RBI Deputy Governor NS Vishwanathan's comment on the scope for harmonising the regulations for the sector.

The RBI deputy governor was guoted as saving that several categories of NBFCS are creating the need for arbitrage.

Recently, the RBI made it mandatory for the NBFCs to appoint a grievance redressal officer. The important credentials such as the name and contact details of the officer is mandatorily required to be displayed in the premises of the NBFCs.

In case of any complaint, the customer can approach the grievance redressal officer of the NBFC.

If the customer is not satisfied by the settlement assured by the grievance redressal officer, the complainant can approach the nearest office of the RBI.

Details of the respective RBI offices have to be mandatorily displayed in the premises of all NBFCs.

However, if complaint is related to a credit card operated by an NBFC, then a fee is charged in the process. If the complain is not handled satisfactorily within 30 days of filling the complaint, the complainant can approach the concerned bank's 'banking ombudsman'.





## MACHINE LEARNING

AND BUSINESS INTELLIGENCE IN **BFSI VERTICAL** 



ith the rapid growth of Information Technology, the financial services industry has changed significantly in the last decade.

The advent of online payment solutions through different devices has resulted in massive online data flow appearing in Information Technology systems, centralising data from multiple domains.

The competitive nature of this industry has given an impetus to change technologies that are capable of handling big data and exploit business value from the massive information flow.

Every company in the financial sector is trying to make extensive use of technology to offer low-cost solutions to their customers that are easily accessible and simple to use. Thus, huge amount of investments is being made to attract new customers and at the same time retaining the old ones.

Application of Machine Learning (ML) algorithms in this scenario could be a game-changer for the Banking, Financial Services and Insurance (BFSI) enterprises which embraces this change. ML algorithms would enable

the financial enterprises to highly personalise their offerings to their customer based on their behaviour while also providing the flexibility to bring focus into their marketing campaigns. ML also accommodates for any change in customer behaviour, capturing those changes and incorporating the same while providing recommendations to their customers.

While ML provides contextual offerings to customers, supporting BI infrastructure would help transform the way BFSI enterprises conduct their business. Not only would the accompanying Business Intelligence tools capture the Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) but also provide near real time feedback to the management, which can course correct accordingly and align themselves to the organisational goals in an efficient way.

#### **Machine Learning Use Case in an Insurance Enterprise**

One of the biggest challenges for any enterprise which makes use of call centres to reach out to its leads directly and convert them into their customers

is identification of cohorts of customers who'd show a higher tendency of making the final call of buying. Given the volumes of customers that a typical call centre caters to, it becomes imperative that enterprises have a sound strategy around call centres, their representatives and managing the omni channels through which they can reach out to their customers through phone, website, live chat, email or instant messaging. Ultimately, the customer experience of providing the right answers at the right time would improve the sales conversions resulting in lower costs and higher revenue.

#### **Machine Learning Approach**

The insurance enterprise under consideration has a substantial contribution from the Call Centre channel to its overall revenue. In this scenario, it is highly desirable that we can maximise the opportunity of converting a potential customer into an actual one based on the reach out programmes designed for such leads. However, without any focus on which customer should be targeted or what should be the context of calling a

customer, the conversion metric wouldn't be optimised to its maximum potential. Our approach to solve this problem was to look at the issue from a machine learning perspective wherein we try to look for correlations between multiple variables that may affect a customer's conversion behaviour vis-à-vis their final status as to whether they convert or not.

#### **Random Forest Classifier**

The information available to us from the call centre is at a call level record. Initially, we tried combining duration of the call and breaking the time/day/ week of the call to identify a correlation. Even though correlation was present but the features themselves were relatively weak and to further enhance them, we decided to combine and form new features along with different dispositions (stage of customer journey) and other available data. Once we extrapolated weak features to around 1000 granular features, we used a combination of Random Forests and Gradient Boosting to identify the correct number of parameters to use for predicting the conversion, without overfitting the data. Since we are trying to identify customers who show an inclination towards buying, it's reasonable to have a small per cent of false positives but false negatives need to be minimised in the scenario. Cross validation techniques

were also used to balance the data bias. The metric we chose for boosting were Assets Under Custody (AUC) and log\_loss. The classifier is able to give a probability score between 0-1 indicating the confidence of the classification. We then simply sort the probability scores in descending order.

Since, bulk of the data are captured under True Negatives (i.e both prediction and actual states are "No"), we have a concentrated distribution of users at the lower end of predicted probabilities.

When we consider the probability distribution for the customers who have indeed converted, we see that the distribution is significantly skewed towards higher propensity of conversion.

Based on the graph plot of Report on Compliance (ROC) and the distribution plot of probability scores of validation data, we are able to come-up with a priority list with a cut-off probability for the test/daily-feed data for active leads in the system.

#### **Key Learning**

| Confusion Matrix     |                      |       |
|----------------------|----------------------|-------|
| Actual<br>Conversion | Predicted Conversion |       |
|                      | N                    | Υ     |
| N                    | 92.11%               | 0.62% |
| Υ                    | 0.62%                | 6.65% |



The model shows a high accuracy of 98.76 per cent across all cases under consideration. It also has a precision of 91.53 per cent (i.e. < 10 per cent of false positives), which typically in this use case is an opportunity to the enterprise to further target additional customers who show the potential/behaviour of a typical customer.

#### **Business Impact**

The endeavour in this analysis was to minimise False-Negatives so that we are not identifying the cohort of customers which actually shows converting behaviour and classify them as nonconverts. The accurate classification of customers into relevant segments essentially helps the decision makers in prioritising the set of customers who should be specifically targeted and driving the conversion through call centres. Based on the recommendations of the classification, the expected incremental conversion rate is ~60 bps from the baseline conversion rate and result in incremental revenue of \$750K per product. However, having said that, the classification algorithm could further be improved with the incorporation of features like:

- Associating call centre representatives and their performance vis-à-vis customer classification
- Incorporation of web related events at the customer level to further solidify the classifier
- Looking at cross-sell opportunities within the customer base
- Integrating the sentiment displayed in actual conversations with the representative and determining intent •

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Financial institutions are changing and the transformation is accredited to massive digitisation drive initiated by the Centre. Ensuring sustenance in this era of transition, Citrix is offering a wide range of solutions, firming the growth of organisations, says Nikhil Bagalkotkar, Chief Technologist, Citrix, in conversation with Arpit Gupta of Elets News Network (ENN).

#### Tell us about the product line and services offered by Citrix in India.

Citrix as a brand has perennially aimed at secure delivery of apps and data. With our advanced offering of integrated virtualisation, mobility, data sharing and networking capabilities, we not only firmed our position as a leading solution provider in the market but also have been enabling and accelerating organisations' transition into the future of work.

Widely recognised as the leaders in app and desktop virtualisation space, we deliver the benefits of centralised delivery of Windows or Linux-based desktops, thick apps, web apps and Software as a Service (SaaS) apps over any network, to any device located anywhere.

Additionally, we also offer Citrix Netscaler application delivery controller, an engine that powers the web and as much as 75 per cent of the world's internet traffic passes through this platform. Our NetScaler Software Defined-Wide Area Network (WAN) technology, on the other hand, is redefining enterprise WAN, setting new benchmarks for availability, resilience, consolidation and simplicity.

With our technology acumen, we are pioneering in the space of Internet of Things (IoT) and Mobility. Our efforts are directed towards helping organisations maintain their security posture in a world where workspaces are becoming increasingly virtual and networked devices are everywhere.

#### As Cloud Services are turning popular within the banking segment but safety issues associated with it being a major concern, what measures are you taking in this regard?

With the Digital India movement gaining impetus, financial institutions are increasingly taking the digitisation plunge. As more and more SaaS is getting adopted in the banking and insurance sector, the significance of the control close to the user is also rising. The control and visibility that one loses to cloud sourcing, however, can be regained via focus on access as well as 360 degree control and visibility. In alignment to this business requirement, Citrix is the only company that has the breadth of controls to give 360 visibility and control for applications, irrespective of whether these applications are SaaSbased apps, Cloud hosted apps, or core applications running in the Data Centre or legacy apps.

Additionally, Citrix, with its secureby design perspective has been accelerating transition to Cloud by providing a software defined security parameter while addressing performance as well as scalability concerns of financial institutions.

#### What drastic changes will cloud technology bring in the banking and financial services industry?

If you consider the broad range of new technologies that came to the financial services world, in the last 10 or 15 years, there's one that has emerged as

the number one enabler - Cloud.

Technologies like Mobility, Big Data Analytics, Artificial Intelligence, Internet of Things, wouldn't have existed, had it not been for the innovation of Cloud. In the current technology landscape, Cloud is not just a tool utilised to cut cost but is also extensively regarded as the catalyst in the fin-tech sector's evolution.

Many financial institutions in India are actively deploying technology to lend assistance to their back-end process automation. Newer technologies like Artificial Intelligence (AI) and chatbots have also gained widespread acceptance due to their relevance in the space of customer interactions and service. With their varied utilities, these new initiatives are further expected to gain more prevalence as they continue to enhance efficiencies in the sector and none of them would have been effective without Cloud.

Additionally, with cashless economy becoming the new norm in today's technology landscape, this shift is expected to cover ground rapidly. IoT and Mobility coupled with AI represents the next frontier for profitably extending financial services to the unbanked in India's hinterland. With this ever-expanding universe of intelligent connected devices, adapting the financial institutions security perimeter becomes a progressively complex challenge, and Citrix has been working to provide a comprehensive answer to this concern.

#### The BFSI sector is undergoing massive transformation due to digitisation, how is your brand assisting the segment in maintaining a secure digital workplace?

As India proceeds towards a digital economy, the number of hacking targets has gone up exponentially. Our traditional security models can no longer meet the sophistication and scale of current day attacks. Over the years, banks have invested heavily in securing the organisations' computers by deploying security software



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like antivirus, data loss prevention, encryption, advanced threat protection, amongst others. While this model worked in the traditional scheme of things, in a hyper connected application

space, this endpoint centric security model has failed. This is evident from the impact of the last series of SWIFT, Wannacry and Petya attacks. Having erstwhile centralised applications transitioning into multiple specialties, Cloud further exacerbates this security issue.

For sustenance, banking organisations need to look at an alternate security paradigm. We all know that majority of threats occur through the Internet, yet organisations continue to mix Internet and Intranet traffic on their LAN/WAN networks. As the alternate security paradigm dictates, you cannot have any system communicating on the LAN and Internet at the same time, thereby completely denying the attackers the attack surface.

Citrix Secure digital workspaces have been at the forefront of this alternate security space, as it works by isolating Internet, Intranet and Cloud traffic for banking organisations. With the Citrix Secure digital workspaces, the endpoint becomes a dumb device and our technology stops content flowing between endpoint, Internet, Intranet or cloud.









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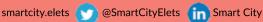


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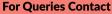
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## MANAPPURAM FINANCE LTD CATERING TO DEMANDS AT FOREFRONT OF TECHNOLOGY



Manappuram Finance Ltd has long been at the forefront of technology in gold loans and it continues to invest in technology. The first corporate entity to get into gold loans, Manappuram is now expanding its profile catering to customers' diversified demands, says VP Nandakumar, Managing Director and Chief Exectutive Officer, Manappuram Finance Ltd, in conversation with **Elets** News Network (ENN).

#### Give us an overview of Manappuram Finance Ltd and its services in India.

Manappuram Finance Ltd is a Non Banking Financial Company (NBFC) established in 1992 and predominantly engaged in gold loans the business of lending against used household gold jewellery.

We were the first corporate entity to get into gold loans. Prior to our entry, this used to be the preserve of moneylenders and pawnbrokers operating in lanes and bylanes. As the first corporate to get into this business. we introduced scientific management practices to this hidebound business and pioneered the use of technology in gold loans. The most recent example of our tech focus is "Online Gold Loans" (OGL) which we launched in September 2015. A customer who has completed the initial formalities can now avail a gold loan 24X7, from anywhere in the world, even if he is sitting at home. The loan proceeds are instantaneously transferred to his bank account.

After nearly two decades of exclusive focus on gold loans, we have now diversified into promising new areas like microfinance, home finance, vehicle loans, Small and Medium Enterprises (SME) lending, insurance broking etc. The entry into microfinance followed our acquisition (and turnaround) of the Chennai-based Asirvad Microfinance Pvt Ltd in 2015. Over the next few years, we hope to become a multi-product NBFC with a range of products from housing loans, vehicle finance, microfinance, SME loans etc, besides our core offering of gold loans.

Today, new businesses contribute about 18 to 19 per cent to our total business. Over the next two to three years, that share is likely to go up to about 25 per cent, in line with our vision to become a multi-product NBFC.

#### **Technology** is transforming banking, what measures have you taken to remain updated in this context?

Manappuram has long been at the forefront of technology in gold loans and we continue to invest in technology. We are preparing for future challenges with innovative products with a focus on technological development. Given the rapid growth in online platforms, there's no doubt that conventional ways of doing business through brick and mortar branches will become less important in future and we are prepared for that eventuality.

This May, we launched a co-branded prepaid money card. The card can be pre-loaded up to a maximum amount of Rs 50,000 and then used to withdraw money from all ATMs .We are planning to issue the prepaid card to our customer base and link their existing gold loan accounts to the card.

Along with the prepaid card, we have also launched eWallet brand "MaKash", which we hope to scale up in the coming months. We expect that the prepaid card and the eWallet will eventually help in making our Online Gold Loans a more compelling proposition for our customers. We are also working on an SGL, or SMS-based gold loan product, for customers who find it difficult to access the Internet. And, we are continuing



with our long term work to develop a high tech IoT (internet of things) based network enabled keyless gold storage technologies that will significantly address the security aspect at a branch.

#### India is progressing, so does its choices of investments, how do you maintain consumers' interest in gold investment?

Regarding gold as an investment option, it is true that there has been a substantial correction in price from the peak levels of 2011 and 2012. However, beginning from January 2016, gold prices have regained ground and generally held steady in the range of \$1,200 to \$1,300.

Investment in gold and jewellery for the long-term is a safe option because the supply of physical gold continues to be meagre in relation to the demand. Therefore, while the price may fluctuate, there is protection on the downside. Recently, Gold bonds have emerged as a useful alternative to those who buy gold purely for investment purpose who now earn some interest on their investments. However it may not interest those who

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buy gold jewellery for consumption.

#### Digital payments is the new trend, how are you encouraging it?

Post-demonetisation, we have entered an era where the role of cash is being systematically downgraded. We recognise that the future is of cashless or "less cash", and therefore, we have to think of ways to ease the transition for our customers by offering them a choice of convenient alternatives to cash. Even before the demonetisation

announcement, a significant proportion of our total disbursements was made through NEFT payment or by cheque. We had set up alternative repayment channels like online repayments using net banking, debit cards and e-wallets and we have been encouraging our customers to make use of these channels.

We have tie-ups with PAYTM, MPESA, M-RUPEE, ITZCASH and other newage mobile wallet services to enhance our brand positioning, collection, lead generation, and customer experience.

In October 2015, we launched our online gold loan (OGL) product, which is totally cashless at our end. A customer has to come to our branch only once to deposit his gold and execute necessary documents. After that, he can avail a loan up to his eligibility anytime, from anywhere in the world using a smart phone, computer, or other Internet-Enabled devices. The loan proceeds are instantaneously transferred to his bank account. Even after repayment, the gold will continue to remain with the Manappuram branch for future loans to be availed online.





## MAHARASHTRA — A PIONEER OF **INDIA'S COOPERATIVE MOVEMENT:**

## PRAMOD KARNAD

While a large section of the financially excluded population inhabits the rural areas, some of the unbanked populace resides in urban and semi-urban areas as well. With this the scope of financial inclusion is widening and therefore fuelling up the demand of the cooperative banks, says **Pramod Karnad**, Managing Director, Maharashtra State Cooperative Bank Ltd (MSCB), in conversation with **Rakesh Roy** of **Elets News Network (ENN).** Excerpts:



#### What role did the cooperative sector (banks) play in uplifting the social economy and financial inclusion of Maharashtra?

Maharashtra cooperative sector is very vibrant. Though the first cooperative bank was established in Gujarat in 1904 under the Bombay State; however, the pioneers were from Maharashtra. Today, 31 District Cooperative Central (DCC) Banks, more than 20,000 Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS), 507 Primary Urban Cooperative Banks are working in Maharashtra. These cooperative banks are playing a significant role in social inclusiveness and financial inclusion, mostly for the rural and semi-urban people of the state. Urban Cooperative Banks, District Cooperative Central Banks (DCCBs) have traditionally played an important role

in mobilising resources from lower and middle-income groups and in providing direct finance to small entrepreneurs and traders.

#### What kind of challenges are being faced by cooperative banks?

Banking sector in India has seen a lot of competition after Narasimham Committee Recommendation and due to the rise of globalisation. Foreign banks have started their operations in India. Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) and private banks have increased their presence in rural and semi-urban areas. The revenue generated by the cooperative banks is sourced from the agriculture term, crop loan, and short term loans, that have narrow margins. Therefore, these banks have gradually downgraded their Income Asset

Recognition Norm, thus liable to Non Performing Assets (NPAs).

While a large section of the financially excluded population inhabits in rural areas, some of unbanked populace resides in urban and semi-urban areas as well. So the scope of financial exclusion is wide. Here, these cooperatives banks play a major role in addressing financial inclusion of the people, mainly farmers, small vendors, agricultural and industrial labourers, people engaged in unorganised sectors, the unemployed, women, and older.

One of the advantages of the cooperative banks is that it acquires consequent information about the local residents. Being an integral part of the community, these banks have an advantage over their commercial rivals in terms of having information both about

upcoming business opportunities as well as borrower quality, which national-level banks have a hard time gathering.

Recently, these cooperative banks have increasingly started adopting the three-pronged financial inclusion strategies to compete with other PSU and private banks. They are adopting initiatives like corporate governance, risk assignment management, adopting digital technologies, and many more.

#### How has MSCB evolved its strategies and adopted new technologies in sync with the changing banking environment in the digital era?

Since 2011, we already have active Core Banking Solution (CBS) along with all the ancillary applications such as Treasury, anti-money laundering enabled branches with latest technology applications. MSCB is using online Human Resources Management System (HRMS) system for payroll and biometric attendance system. Our bank has adopted multi party video conferencing system that has enabled remote locations (RO) meeting among branch managers to have a review of the sale/business targets.

We have our own in-house Data Centre and Disaster Recovery (DR) site, equipped with CCTV cameras, Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) and Air Conditioners running 24x7 with support personnel in place. MSCB Bank has provided RUPAY cards with e-com enabled transactions and the cards are fully secured with Europay, MasterCard, and Visa (EMV) chips embossed on each cards. MSCB ATMs have been set up across regional locations for wide acceptance of cards based transactions in rural areas too.

Our bank has its own dynamic website which keeps on updating the recent changes in interest rates and other financial products. We have implemented Cheque Truncation System (CTS) for cheque clearance. Real Time Gross Settlement (RTGS) and National Electronics Funds Transfer System (NEFT) are also offered to the customers. Further, we have recently launched



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the SHIKAR Mobile App which facilitates instant transfer of money through RTGS/NEFT and soon going live with Immediate Payment Service (IMPS). In our strategy to make banking system easier like other banks, we have planned to adopt Unified Payment Interface (UPI) in the coming phase and our bank will also participate in the BHIM app.

#### With an increase in digital transactions in the banking system, security issues have increased simultaneously. What measures MSCB has taken to safeguard the interest of its customers?

As far as the security aspects are concerned, we do periodic auditing to safeguard our Information Technology assets; bank is already going to appoint NABCONS (NABARD Consultancy Services) for information security audit services.

Our mobile banking channel is digitally encrypted with flow of traffic using encryption algorithm, we have appointed Application Service Provider (ASP) which is Payment Application Data Security Standard (PA-DSS) and Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCI DSS) certified to secure our payment channel.

As a part of our roadmap and our consultant KPMG, we are going to implement Data Loss Prevention (DLP) and encryption.





## THE FIRST DIGITAL REVOLUTION IN REVENUE COURTS ADMINISTRATION IN INDIA



The Board of Revenue would seek to create a Rajasthan Revenue Courts Grid which would provide the litigants a wide array of judgments of Revenue Courts on a common platform, says **V Srinivas**, Chairman, Board of Revenue, Government of Rajasthan, in an interaction with Gautam **Debroy** of **Elets News Network (ENN)**. Excerpts:

#### What is your vision as Chairman of Rajasthan's Board of Revenue?

The Board of Revenue currently has 65,000 court cases the highest case load among Revenue Boards in the country. The Board of Revenue currently has 20 members and decides about 900 cases. every month. My vision is to establish a fully Digital Rajasva Mandal that would represent a fully online institution, meeting the needs of 21st century land reforms - the First Digital Revolution in Revenue Courts Administration in India.

On September 27, the Board of Revenue for Rajasthan has undertaken a major step towards a fully Digital Rajasva Mandal. It has placed its first set of judgments on the website of the Board of Revenue providing for easier access of court decisions to millions of litigants approaching the Board of Revenue. In the coming days, the Board of Revenue for Rajasthan would be

placing all judgments in public domain.

There are huge benefits of transparency in revenue administration. The Board of Revenue for Rajasthan would hand-hold all Revenue Courts including Courts of District Collectors, Additional Collectors, Sub-Divisional Officers and Tehsil Courts to place case lists and judgments on the Rajasthan Courts Management System (RCMS). All efforts would be made to cater to the needs of litigants to provide them information on real time basis. The Board of Revenue would seek to create a Rajasthan Revenue Courts Grid which would provide the litigants with a wide array of judgments of Revenue Courts on a common platform.

#### How are you planning to reform the **Revenue Department and what are** your thrust areas?

The Board of Revenue is implementing

the Digital Land Records Management Programme (DILRMP). The DILRMP seeks digitisation of land records in a single standardised format across various departments, overhauling litigation in land with reduced timelines with fast- tracked courts and judicial processes, streamlining property registration system and linking land records to stamp registration, providing easy access to government data and other land related information.

The Digital Rajasva Mandal would include the following:

- · Classification and bunching of cases in cause lists:
- · Online follow-up of files in revision cases called from Subordinate Courts;
- · Online follow-up of the campaign on reference cases;
- Online follow-up of campaign on revision cases;

- Online linking of Sub-Registrar offices with the Tehsils for recording of timely mutations in registered documents;
- · SMS messages to Advocates on the listing of cases in cause lists;
- Digital panels for displaying the cases being heard in the court.
- Online Judgements.

#### How do you perceive transformation in rural administration?

The Government of Rajasthan has accorded high priority to strengthen revenue administration at field level. There has been a significant expansion in revenue administration with Sub-Divisional Officer Courts being opened in every Tehsil. In 2017-18 Budget, Rajasthan has allocated significant resources for modernisation and strengthening of SDO offices, construction of Tehsil offices and for procurement of vehicles. The Board of Revenue has been advising the Sub-Divisional Officers to conduct court work in a timely and consistent manner.

#### What is your view on land reforms?

Land is the summum-bonum of rural India. The Board of Revenue is at the

"The Board of Revenue currently has 65,000 court cases which are amongst the highest case loads of Revenue Boards in the country."

forefront of implementation of land reforms in Rajasthan. The major thrust areas of the Board of Revenue are timely justice and protection of rights of Khatedar tenants.

The thrust areas for timely justice are (a) a major campaign in reference cases where the Hon'ble Rajasthan High Court in Abdul Rehman Vs State has ordered that all nadi/nallah/guachar which have been transferred wrongly may be restored back to the State with effect from 15/8/1947 and (b) a major

campaign for expeditious disposal in revision cases. The Board of Revenue has 7,498 reference cases, and summons notices have been served in nearly 6,000 cases in two months of campaign. These cases would be taken up for decisions and completed by March 2018. In the revision cases, the Board of Revenue is identifying cases where case files have been received for expeditious disposal and also the cases where case files have been called from sub-ordinate courts and yet to be received.

The Board of Revenue has also identified Sub-Divisional Officer Courts with high case loads where Members of the Board of Revenue would be conducting inspections to motivate young Sub Divisional Officers for taking up court work on priority and provide speedy justice.

#### Are you planning digital transformation steps?

In the run-up to a Digital Rajasva Mandal, the Board of Revenue would be working closely with the Department of Information Technology, Government of Rajasthan and the National Informatics Centre, New Delhi.

The Board would also cooperate with the Directorate of Evaluation to conduct a transactions study to identify specific areas of which are time-consuming in disposal of court cases.

Further the Board has sought cooperation from the State Archives and National Archives of India for preservation of its permanent records.

It must be recognised that there has been a transformation in rural administration with the Jan Dhan-Aadhar-Bhim applications and direct benefits transfers. The Board of Revenue must keep pace with the changes. Transparency in Revenue Courts is a major step forward. We hope to establish a Digital Rajasva Mandal that would provide the roadmap for Revenue Courts of India for providing timely justice to millions of litigants waiting for justice in partition of holdings, declaration of rights, land allotments etc".





## **FUTURE OF FINANCIAL SERVICES LIES IN DIGITISATION AND ANALYTICS:** R BASKAR BABU



Small Finance Banks (SFB) are catering to the demands of a particular customer segment which is not the main focus for the well-established banks. We are equipped with all the digital and technology solutions to deliver the best of services to our customers, savs R Baskar Babu. Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer, Suryoday Small Finance Bank, in an interview with Rakesh Roy of Elets News **Network (ENN)**. Excerpts:

#### Survodaya Micro Finance is now into a Small Finance Bank (SFB), how has been the transition?

The journey so far has been very challenging but exciting at the same time. As we were transforming from a microfinance institution into a bank, we had to put new structures, functions, policies, processes, systems and technology solutions in place, just within 18 months only. So, in that sense, it was challenging. Simultaneously, it was a huge learning experience and the thought of launching a bank was always exciting. It propelled us to complete the transformation in less than 16 months after we received the in-principle approval from the Reserve Bank of India (RBI).

#### How are the small finance banks contributing to the financial inclusion and social inclusiveness?

As eight of the small finance banks were microfinance institutions, we were always a part of the financial and social inclusiveness initiatives. All microfinance institutions have played a significant role in providing much-needed credit facilities to the unbanked and underserved segments of the population. Now as small finance banks, these institutions will be able to further enhance financial inclusion by offering savings and investment products to their existing and new customers.

Tell us about the measures taken by your institution in this regard.

When we started as an MFI, we realised that our services would be restricted only to one side of the customer's financial needs, i.e. providing credit facilities. But without getting constrained by this limitation, we started imparting financial literacy and facilitated opening of bank accounts for all people in our sphere of operations, not just our customers. We are now building a comprehensive savings, credit and investment product suite for our customers as an SFB, which would help them in achieving higher incomes



leading to better standards of living.

#### **How have IT and Digital technologies** evolved in the small finance banks in the last few years?

Even as MFIs, our technology solutions were guite advanced and we had already implemented robust front-end and back-end applications that were scalable. We also invested in supporting infrastructure, analytics, etc. As we transformed into a Small Finance Bank, we did need a host of new solutions but we have had the benefit of planning afresh and putting in place all the necessary technology solutions without being burdened by legacy systems.

#### **How has Suryoday Small Finance Bank** adopted technologies in providing digital banking to its customers?

As we were planning our proposed technology architecture and solutions, we made a very critical decision - to put a Customer Relationship Management application at the forefront of all onboarding and servicing transactions, thereby, enabling us to have a

"One of the key challenges for Small Finance Banks, being new in this area, is the need to build trust with our potential customers."

360-degree view of the customer in a seamless manner rather than have to stitch it with multiple applications each with their own on-boarding and servicing transactions. Our system architecture has been designed to be able to easily integrate with any future applications we will implement. We also have developed front-end/field-force mobility solutions that integrate real-time for credit decisions, eKYC validation, etc. and would eliminate the need for paperbased processes and improve turnaround times.

In addition, we have also invested in many support systems for Compliance, Risk Management, Governance and Analytics.

#### What are the challenges and opportunities you foresee for Small Finance Banks in India, looking at their counterparts - the Public Sector Banks and large private banks?

At this point, one of the key challenges for Small Finance Banks, being new in this area, is the need to build trust with the potential customers. Further, as we transform into a bank it is critical to diversify the asset portfolio and include non-microfinance products. We have already launched additional products including secured and unsecured Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises and small business loans and will also be starting our affordable housing business this financial year.

There is an ocean of opportunity and lots of space for all players. The Small Finance Banks are in particular targeting a customer segment that is not the main focus for the well-established banks. And as stated earlier, we have all the digital and technology solutions in place to deliver the best of services to our customers.

#### With the changing business scenario and penetration of more digital technology in the banking and nonbanking finance sectors, what are your business growth plans for the future?

We believe that the future for financial services is in digital and analytics. We have invested in both and will continue to do so to stay in tune with the changing scenarios. Given our existing microfinance customer base, we are hopeful of delivering technology enabled yet cost efficient banking services to with focus on new products and customers. However, this cannot happen overnight and our aim is to build a best in class financial institution with a strong compliance and risk framework.











### INDIA'S TOP 50 NBFCs RANKING 2017

or the first time, The Banking and Finance Post, Asia and Middle East's premier magazine has come up with the • ranking of India's top 50 Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs). The "India's Top 50 NBFCs Ranking 2017" has been introduced with an aim to provide useful insights into this important segment of the economy, which is being streamlined to fund the unfunded.

NBFCs play a critical role in the Indian financial system. They provide services such as personal loans, housing loans, gold loans, insurance and loans for purchasing commercial vehicles, machinery, and farm equipment, among others. The ability of NBFCs to understand their customer profile, their credit portfolio and deliver customised products and services are driving their fast growth in India.

NBFCs are also crucial for achieving the 'Financial Inclusion' goals by offering lending services to the unbanked population in rural, semi-rural or few urban areas. These are also important source of financial services for the Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) - the backbone of an economy like ours.

The experience of NBFCs in understanding the customers' profile and analysing their credit needs has been invaluable. Moreover, like most of the other segments of India's financial sector, NBFCs too are transforming rapidly by using digital technology to improve customer interface.

A recent report by the Microfinance Institutions Network (MFIN) focused on adoption of 'cash-lite' models among MFIs in the country revealed that over 60 per cent of the NBFC-MFIs have adopted cashless methods to disburse money.

All this guided us to carry out an objective ranking of NBFCs in the country. Through our methodologies, we have tried to break the barriers of demography. Our rankings, as you will find, are spread across the length and breadth of the country and not limited to the metros and big cities alone. It is hoped that the ranking will be equally beneficial for NBFCs and those touched by them.

#### Ranking Methodology:

"India's Top 50 NBFCs Ranking 2017" was carried out on the basis of three parameters: Annual turnover, social media engagement and customer satisfaction. As is evident by the name, under the annual turnover parameter, NBFCs were ranked based on their yearly turnover. Under the other two parameters - social engagement and customer satisfaction - the NBFCs were ranked on the basis of the result of our survey and the perception score.

Top 50 NBFCs ranking is a unique benchmark. Based on the scores secured by the NBFCs under the parameters, the cumulative score of all the institutions was calculated. The NBFC with highest cumulative score was ranked first, while the institution with lowest score was ranked last.











## **RANKING PARAMETER** ANNUAL TURNOVER

on-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs) are fast emerging as an alternative to mainstream banking. They are playing an integral part in the Indian Financial System and have immense potential to take forward the Central Government's agenda of financial inclusion.

Their contribution to the economy has grown exponentially over the years. As a matter of fact, the growth of NBFCs is

not just driven by traditional products like commercial vehicle financing, but also financial products like personal and housing loans, etc.

The growth of the sector is accredited to cost efficiency, bad debt control, customised products and better customer services. In terms of annual turnover for financial year 2016-17, NBFCs have scripted a great success story. The financial assets of NBFCs have recorded a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 19 per cent over the past few years, comprising 13 per cent of the total credit which is expected to reach nearly 18 per cent by 2018-19.

Keeping the continual growth of NBFCs in mind, India's Top 50 NBFCs Ranking 2017 considered the annual turnover as one of the parameters in judging their level of excellence.











## RANKING PARAMETER **CUSTOMER SATISFACTION**

anking operations are increasingly becoming customer dictated. As far as Indian finance sector is concerned, financial institutions offering one-stop integrated financial services are on the rise. There is an intense competition in the market to gain customers. Therefore, the leaders in Indian banking domain are not only competing with each on the price factor, but also how their customers feel about their services.

Realising the customer satisfaction as the most important factor to become a business leader, all NBFCs are focusing more on better services, improved financial plans for customers and more engagement with their clients. Perceptionbased ranking under this parameter helped us determine how satisfied the customers are with NBFCs' services

#### **Customer Value Improved Service** Quality:

In the current economic scenario, NBFCs are rendering efficient services to gain competitive advantage and, thereby, enhancing their customer relationship. The NBFCs are emphasising more on creating loyal customers by customising their services to serve their customers better as per their needs. This in turn is expected to pave the way for achieving greater customer satisfaction to a larger extent.

In the era of ICT (Information, Communication and Technology), the mode of direct pay, online financial services have gained value which leads to flexible hours of operation as per customers' needs. Increased market competition is resulting into higher defection rates of customers.

Thus, research on service quality and satisfaction of customers in finance sector is considered important.

#### **Handling Customer Expectations:**

Meeting customer expectations plays a central role resulting into higher satisfaction ratings for any service provided by NBFCs. However, the NBFCs also have to handle negative perception about their services and have to constantly make improvements to keep their customers satisfied. At the same time, it is also true that the nonbanking institutions can improve their ratings where customers have positive preconceptions and high expectations for the services.



## RANKING PARAMETER SOCIAL MEDIA ENGAGEMENT

n this digital era and consumption of information on the move, social media is playing a key role in social engagement not only in terms of communication with clients but also in building a brand value in the targeted domain.

Today, people and organisations remain connected and updated through various social media networks like Facebook, Twitter, Linkedin and others. The perception-based ranking under this parameter helped us determine how well NBFCs are socially engaged with their customers.

Digital assets across web, mobility and social media is also assisting nonbanking institutions to build customer advocacy and customer-centricity

approach. Being an integral player in the financial segment, NBFCs, like their banking counterparts, are making optimum utilisation of social media in reaching out to their customers.

Connectivity: Social engagements through different social media channels help NBFCs enhance their connectivity with customers. As the target customers of NBFCs mainly are Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs), social media proves to be an excellent platform for them to connect with these enterprises. Moreover, various social media channels can also be used constantly by NBFCs for communicating with their clients by promoting and sharing relevant information.

**Community Building:** Social engagement is a great way to reach out to potential customers and enterprises. The community thus formed helps NBFCs to showcase their products and services even in remote locations of the country.

Stimulate Knowledge: Social media networks have wide reach and NBFCs are using these networks to keep their target audience updated. NBFCs also use social media as an opportunity to effectively fill knowledge gaps by sharing relevant information. Having an online presence helps strengthen connectivity without any limitations on proximity.











#### **TOP 50 NBFCs' RANKING BASED ON ANNUAL TURNOVER\***

| NBFCs List   | "Total Income (₹ mn)" | Rank |
|--|-----------------------|------|
| Power Finance Corporation Limited                    | 270185.70             | 1    |
| Rural Electrification Corporation Limited            | 240953.50             | 2    |
| Shriram Transport Finance Company Limited            | 108306.10             | 3    |
| Bajaj Finance Limited                                | 100033.10             | 4    |
| Indian Railway Finance Corporation Limited           | 90476.60              | 5    |
| Mahindra & Mahindra Financial Services Limited       | 62375.40              | 6    |
| Muthoot Finance Limited                              | 57467.00              | 7    |
| HDB Financial Services Limited                       | 57145.40              | 8    |
| Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Company Limited | 46603.50              | 9    |
| Shriram City Union Finance Limited                   | 44345.30              | 10   |
| Tata Capital Financial Services Limited              | 41924.00              | 11   |
| Family Credit Limited                                | 41449.70              | 12   |
| IFCI Limited   | 40066.40              | 13   |
| India Infrastructure Finance Company Limited         | 39026.40              | 14   |
| Aditya Birla Finance Limited                         | 34260.00              | 15   |
| Manappuram Finance Limited                           | 30084.30              | 16   |
| Kotak Mahindra Prime Limited                         | 29221.48              | 17   |
| Capital First Limited                                | 27268.50              | 18   |
| L&T Infrastructure Finance Company Limited           | 26784.71              | 19   |
| Religare Finvest Limited                             | 25694.26              | 20   |
| Sundaram Finance Limited                             | 24582.90              | 21   |
| IL&FS Financial Services Limited                     | 23464.60              | 22   |
| SREI Infrastructure Finance Limited                  | 22996.20              | 23   |
| India Infoline Finance Limited                       | 22642.20              | 24   |
| Reliance Capital Limited                             | 20710.00              | 25   |
| Magma Fincorp Limited                                | 20220.50              | 26   |
| Tata Motors Finance Limited                          | 19006.15              | 27   |
| ICICI Securities Primary Dealership Limited          | 16271.40              | 28   |
| Hinduja Leyland Finance Limited                      | 14863.10              | 29   |
| Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency Limited   | 14816.71              | 30   |
| Ujjivan Financial Services Limited                   | 13976.00              | 31   |
| PTC India Financial Services Limited                 | 13518.80              | 32   |
| Bajaj Holdings & Investment Limited                  | 8884.30               | 33   |







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| NBFCs List                                 | "Total Income (₹ mn)" | Rank |
|--|-----------------------|------|
| JM Financial Credit Solutions Limited      | 7883.60               | 34   |
| Satin Creditcare Network Limited           | 7766.70               | 35   |
| Kotak Mahindra Investments Limited         | 7617.00               | 36   |
| IndoStar Capital Finance Limited           | 7199.17               | 37   |
| STCI Primary Dealer Limited                | 6026.60               | 38   |
| SBI DFHI Limited                           | 6025.54               | 39   |
| Axis Finance Limited                       | 5756.00               | 40   |
| PNB Gilts Limited                          | 5005.40               | 41   |
| Edelweiss Finance & Investments Limited    | 4504.70               | 42   |
| Tata Motors Finance Solutions Limited      | 4340.83               | 43   |
| STCI Finance Limited                       | 4219.60               | 44   |
| Indiabulls Commercial Credit Limited       | 4085.98               | 45   |
| Credila Financial Services Private Limited | 3918.10               | 46   |
| L&T Infra Debt Fund Limited                | 3462.35               | 47   |
| Muthoot Capital Services Limited           | 2842.00               | 48   |
| Tata Investment Corporation Limited        | 2713.70               | 49   |
| Vistaar Financial Services Private Limited | 2711.70               | 50   |



\*Limitation of the survey: Due to the unavailability of credible data on annual turnover of all NBFCs, some of the firms could not be ranked.







## CUSTOMER SATISFACTION

| Bajaj Finance Limited                                   | 1  |
|---|----|
| Tata Capital Financial Services Limited                 | 2  |
| Kotak Mahindra Investments Limited                      | 3  |
| Cholamandalam Investment and Finance<br>Company Limited | 4  |
| JM Financial Limited                                    | 5  |
| JM Financial Credit Solutions Limited                   | 6  |
| Manappuram Finance Limited                              | 7  |
| Capital First Limited                                   | 8  |
| Ujjivan Financial Services Limited                      | 9  |
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| Reliance Capital Limited                                | 11 |
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# TOP 50 NBFCs' RANKING BASED ON CUSTOMER SATISFACTION





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## CUSTOMER SATISFACTION

| ICICI Securities Primary Dealership Limited | 32 |
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| Intec Capital Limited                       | 33 |
| Motilal Oswal Financial Services Limited    | 34 |
| Tata Motors Finance Limited                 | 35 |
| Shriram City Union Finance Limited          | 36 |
| SICOM Limited                               | 37 |
| PTC India Financial Services Limited        | 38 |
| Muthoot Capital Services Limited            | 39 |
| ECL Finance Limited                         | 40 |
| CSL Finance Limited                         | 41 |
| Fullerton India Credit Company Limited      | 42 |
| Satin Creditcare Network Limited            | 43 |
| India Infoline Finance Limited              | 44 |
| Edelweiss Retail Finance Limited            | 45 |
| Tata Investment Corporation Limited         | 46 |
| L&T Infrastructure Finance Company Limited  | 47 |
| Magma Fincorp Limited                       | 48 |
| Muthoot Fincorp Limited                     | 49 |
| SREI Infrastructure Finance Limited         | 50 |







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| Aditya Birla Finance Limited                            | 24 |
| Mahindra & Mahindra Financial Services<br>Limited       | 25 |
| Religare Finvest Limited                                | 26 |
| IDFC Limited  | 27 |
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## **INSTA CAPITAL** LEVERAGING TECHNOLOGY FOR FINANCIAL INCLUSION



In the frequently transforming banking industry, Non-Banking Financial Companies (NBFCs) have been fulfilling the requirements of the unbanked segments by promoting Financial Inclusion, purely on the basis of business potential and cashflow rather than credit history or collateral cover, says Ashok Bajaj, Managing Director and Chief Financial Officer. Insta Capital. in conversation with Rakesh **Roy** of **Elets News Network (ENN)**. Exceptts:

#### What is the significance of NBFCs in terms of Financial Inclusion in India?

India is a land of financial diversity that garners most of its Gross Development Product (GDP) from Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs). It is a matter of irony that most of these enterprises are starved of capital to a large extent.

While banks have not been able to fulfill the requirements of these underserved segments, NBFCs have been able to create greater financial inclusion by lending on the basis of business potential and cash flow rather than credit history or collateral cover.

Further, NBFCs (unlike banks) have operational viability at lower volumes due to relatively fewer regulatory requirements, which makes it possible for NBFCs to focus on niche products or market segments, and have a greater understanding of their focussed segments. This, in turn, leads to better/ customised products, lower delinquency rates, greater customer satisfaction and overall Financial Inclusion.

NBFCs with a vast network of branches are also providing other financial products such as insurance and investment products to those who may not have access to banks.

#### What are the USPs of Insta Capital that make it unique as compared to others, to serve SMEs?

Speed is our key differentiating factor. At Insta Capital, we process loans from application to disbursement in less than

12 hours for repeat customers and 72 hours for new customers.

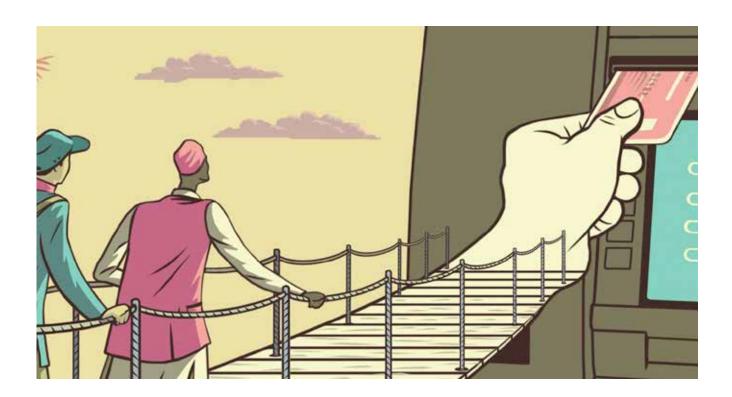
Quick decision-making and disbursement has been enabled by our proprietary underwriting system which we have developed and calibrated from years of experience and historical data spanning over four decades. We are also using latest technologies and analytics in our underwriting, which allows a deeper understanding of risk and thereby low delinguency rates – the most important success factor for this industry.

We also provide a high degree of flexibility to the borrower in terms of tenure and repayment options to suit their cash flow. The entire loan process is completed with minimal paperwork.

#### How have NBFCs in India evolved with the changing business environment and customers' expectations?

We are living in digital age. Customers' attention span is shrinking and they want every service at the click of a button. Most traditional businesses have been disrupted by online players, and finance is no exception.

But this disruption is being led by new-age NBFCs rather than banks. We do have banks that offer one-minute loans, however that's for the existing clients of the banks and this is just cross selling. It is some of the new-age NBFCs that are truly bringing down the turnaround time of loan applications to as little as a few hours or even minutes (for small ticket sizes). Such short turnaround time is only possible



due to e-Know Your Customer (eKYC), online banking and cloud based lending systems that are being implemented rapidly. Today, companies know that they must innovate otherwise sooner or later they will cease to be relevant.

As banks are burdened with Non Performing Assets (NPAs), they have not been able to cater to the increasing demand for credit of-late. This is where the NBFCs are playing a pivotal role.

#### How will technology transform **NBFCs in future?**

The Central Government is taking a lot of initiatives for digitising the banking sector and Digital India initiative is playing a major role in this regard. With the introduction of Aadhaar and India Stack, eKYC is now a reality. It has made it simpler, faster and secure for NBFCs to verify the identity of its customers through biometrics. Frauds can also be prevented using these technologies.

The most disruptive technology, however will come in the form of data analytics. With the amount of data available with NBFCs - be it traditional sources (credit bureaus, bank

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statements, MCA data, etc.) or nontraditional data (social media profiles, aggregator data such as Flipkart and Ola, online review websites, etc) - managing and monetising this data is a gold mine. Today, using analytics and predictive modelling, it is possible to distinguish low risk clients from high risk clients.

#### What are your future plans?

NBFCs are approaching the market with a rather aggressive outlook. Insta Capital started business about 24 months ago and has garnered quite an impressive track record as far as delinquency rates are concerned. We are currently serving businesses (Small and Medium Enterprises and Corporates) based in Mumbai region only. However, being the financial capital of the country, demand in Mumbai is quite robust.

We plan to continue growing with a focus on the unsecured business lending segment by leveraging our digital marketing strategy and accelerating growth through strategic tie-ups with corporates and SME aggregators. We aim to be extremely versatile and agile moving forward by continuing to embrace latest technologies that are relevant for our business, be it in the area of improved customer experience, greater operational efficiency or better risk management. While bank funding is easily available to us to fund our growth, we are also being approached by several investors who believe in our vision of being becoming one of the leading NBFCs.







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## **M POWER MF**

# ENSURING LIVELIHOOD OPTIONS FOR SUSTAINABLE LIVING



M Power Micro Finance Pvt Ltd is a non-deposit taking Non-Banking Financial Company (NBFC) registered under the Reserve Bank of India. Based in Maharashtra, the firm is offering diversified financial service since 2009, says **K M Vishwanathan**, Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer, M Power Micro Finance Pvt Ltd, in conversation with Rakesh Roy of Elets News Network (ENN).

#### Please apprise us on the journey of M Power Micro Finance Pvt Ltd so far.

M Power is an NBFC-MF. It is spread across three branches and operates through 37 branches. As a matter of fact, it has contributed a lot towards empowerment of women in terms of banking. We deal with 85,000 women customers, for our outreach programme. M Power has provided livelihood to more than 1,50,000 families in operational journey of seven years.

#### NBFCs have played a pivotal role in banking the unbanked, what's your perception in this regard?

NBFCs are the last mile connectivity in the overall financial intermediation chain. Banks do not have adequate branches and their ability to reach out is restricted. Hence, NBFCs are very important in the financial chain.

#### **How have NBFCs evolved in terms** digitisation?

NBFCs have developed their own software which are cost effective as far as managing collection, customer sourcing and portfolio management is concerned. Now, many NBFCs have developed cost effective solutions with vendors, feet on street monitoring, movement of staff monitoring, tracking etc.

#### Which technology trends are going to drive the NBFCs in future?

We foresee that NBFCs are mapping their customers through software.

It is believed that in future the staff movement is tracked for better efficiency.

#### What are your company's future business growth plans?

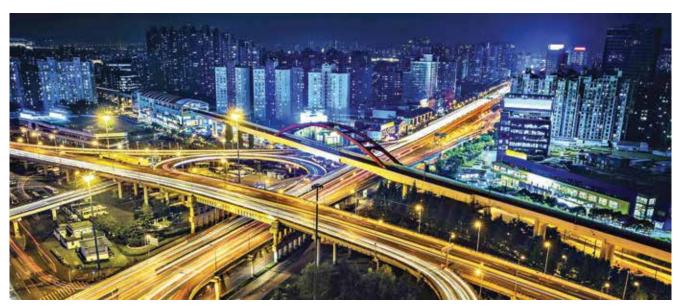
We plan to grow to 60 branches in the next 12 months and move to Rs 300 crores of Assets Under Management (AUM) by September 2018.





# MUNICIPAL BONDS AS AN INSTRUMENT OF FINANCING

## **URBAN INFRASTRUCTURE IN INDIA**



ccording to Census 2011, about 377 million Indians comprising 31 per cent of the country's population live in urban areas.

Urban areas are the "engines of economic growth" contributing more than 60 per cent of India's Gross Domestic Product (GDP). Studies have found that higher urbanisation levels are associated with higher levels of per capita income.

This is also evident in regional patterns of urbanisation in India as seen in higher urbanisation levels in some relatively higher income States such as Tamil Nadu, Maharashtra, Gujarat, etc.

#### Urban population is projected to grow to about 600 million by 2031 (New Climate Economy Report by the The Global Commission on the Economy and Climate).

The rapid urbanisation poses several challenges which include improving quality of urban services such as water, sanitation and urban transport; reducing urban poverty; planned development of land resources and curbing spread of slums.

The challenge of managing urbanisation will have to be addressed through a combination of increased investment, strengthening the framework for governance and finance and a comprehensive capacity building programme at all levels of government.

High Powered Expert Committee (2011) has estimated investment requirement of Rs 39.2 lakh crore at 2009-10 prices for urban infrastructure over the 20-year period (2012-31). Municipal Bonds are an important way of mobilising financial resources, particularly in the light of limited recourse to budgetary resources due to fiscal constraints.

Typically, Municipal Bonds are of two types - (a) General obligation bonds which carry full faith and credit of the issuing authority, and are appropriate for general services like, roads or street

lighting wherein it's difficult to levy user charges; and (b) Revenue Bonds, which are tied to specified sources of revenue from the facilities or services which they finance.

#### **Municipal Bonds scenario in India:**

Bangalore Municipal Corporation was the first municipal corporation to issue a municipal bond of Rs 1,250 million with a State guarantee in 1997. Data on issuance of Municipal Bonds in India is summarised in the table below.

| Municipal Bonds in India |                              |                      |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|--|--|--|
| Type of<br>Bond          | Number<br>of Bonds<br>Issued | Amount in<br>Million |  |  |  |
| Taxable<br>Bonds         | 10                           | Rs 4,650             |  |  |  |
| Tax-free<br>Bonds        | 12                           | Rs 6,795             |  |  |  |
| Pooled<br>Finance        | 2                            | Rs 1,371             |  |  |  |
| TOTAL                    | 24                           | Rs 12,816            |  |  |  |

Pooled financing is an important mechanism as it can be undertaken by smaller Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) that are unable to get appropriate credit rating on a stand-alone basis. Under such a scheme, funds raised from bonds are loaned out by the issuers to more than one ULB. The Ministry of Urban Development approved the Pooled Finance Development Fund Scheme in 2006. This was done mainly to benefit the smaller and medium-sized ULBs, by providing credit enhancement to them, so that they can access market borrowings on the basis of their credit worthiness through the State-Level-Pooled Finance Mechanism.

Overall, the market for Municipal Bonds has been characterised by the lemons problem and the possibility of adverse selection, thereby resulting in thin markets. Weak financials of ULBs imply higher interest premiums demanded in the Municipal Bonds market. Low credit ratings, reluctant investors, lack of functional secondary markets and unclear regulation have contributed to the falling appeal of Municipal Bonds.

However, recently Pune Municipal Corporation has issued Municipal Bonds of Rs 200 crore, which got listed on Bombay Stock Exchange (BSE) in June, 2017. With this, there is a renewed push for mobilising financial resource by way of issuance of Municipal Bonds.

#### **Mission Guidelines of Smart City**

The mission mentions Municipal Bonds as an important way of supplementing other financial resources. In July 2015, the Securities and Exchanges Board of India (SEBI) notified a new regulatory framework-Issue and Listing of Debt Securities by Municipalities Regulationsfor issuing Municipal Bonds in India. The new regulations allowed for municipal bodies or a corporate municipal entity (a body corporate registered under the Companies Act and a subsidiary of the municipality formed for the purpose of raising funds) to issue Municipal Bonds through private placement or public

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issue. Such provisions are aimed at deepening the municipal bond market.

Among the supply side constraints, absence of buoyant sources of revenues for ULBs increases their reluctance to borrow. The demand for these bonds is low as they are believed to be relatively illiquid instruments. This is mainly due to a missing secondary market for these instruments, which result in investors having to hold Municipal Bonds until maturity. Further, Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA) classify Municipal Bonds as Class C instruments instead of Class G that is limited only to government securities. Municipal Bonds, thus, have to compete with other Class C instruments, which may have higher yields than Municipal Bonds. This makes Municipal Bonds unattractive within this asset class.

In order to have an efficient bond market in place, there is need for capacity building of ULBs in planning capital investments and financial management, including sound accounting and budgeting systems.

Further, to strengthen the credit worthiness of ULBs, increased autonomy may be given to ULBs to charge realistic tax rates and user charges for their services. Municipal Bonds could be given

the status of 'public securities' so that they become admissible for statutory liquidity ratio (SLR) investment by commercial banks.

The urban infrastructure sector may also be included as a priority sector for the purpose of lending. This is expected to increase the demand for Municipal Bonds from institutional investors. There is need for further improving transparency and disclosure norms to increase investor confidence.

Offer document should disclose all the information regarding the management, administration, financials, operations, projects, revenue generation, risk factors etc to the public along with the future revenue generating capacity of the ULB. Bond banks may be established which collect all the borrowing needs of municipalities and issue a single class of bond backed by a diversified portfolio of borrowers.

This arrangement reduces investor risk and lowers the borrowing costs of the local governments. Bond banks have been used extensively in Canada and the United States since the 1970s. Developing a secondary market for Municipal Bonds will allow households or institutions to sell their long-term bonds before maturity.

Credit enhancement can help the issuers to market their debt to investors. Municipal development funds (MDFs) that are similar to pooled financing arrangements can be created. Such funds access national bond markets for capital and then lend it on to local governments. Though the municipal bond market is untapped in India, it has a huge potential for fulfilling the massive investment requirement in the urban infrastructure sector wherein the most pertinent challenge will be addressing the non-viability and weak fundamentals of ULBs.

(The writers are Ashwini Kumar | Additional Economic Adviser | Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs | Government of India and Reema Jain| Assistant Director, Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs, Government of India)







#### EVENT CALENDAR 2017-2018

| EVENT NAME                                   | PLACE            | MONTH            |  |  |  |  |
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|  |                  |                  |  |  |  |  |
| SMART CITY                                   |                  |                  |  |  |  |  |
| Smart City Summit                            | Aligarh          | 10 November      |  |  |  |  |
| Smart City Summit                            | Warangal         | November         |  |  |  |  |
| Smart City Summit                            | Gurugram         | 1 December       |  |  |  |  |
| Smart City Summit                            | Nashik           | 3 - 4 December   |  |  |  |  |
| Smart City Summit                            | Jalandhar        | December         |  |  |  |  |
| Smart City Summit                            | Pimpri-Chinchwad | February 2018    |  |  |  |  |
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| GOVERNANCE                                   |                  |                  |  |  |  |  |
| National Tourism Conclave                    | Chandigarh       | 12 October       |  |  |  |  |
| National Transport Summit                    | Ahmedabad        | 13 October       |  |  |  |  |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> eGov Knowledge Exchange      | Goa              | 27 -28 October   |  |  |  |  |
| National Energy Summit                       | Hyderabad        | November         |  |  |  |  |
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|  | BFSI             |                  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> BFSI Cloud & Security Summit | Mumbai           | December         |  |  |  |  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> BFSI Leadership Summit 2018  | Mumbai           | February 2018    |  |  |  |  |
|  |                  |                  |  |  |  |  |
| HEALTH                                       |                  |                  |  |  |  |  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Healthcare Summit Rajasthan  | Jaipur           | 10 November      |  |  |  |  |
| Healthcare Summit Andhra Pradesh             | Visakhapatnam    | 1-2 December     |  |  |  |  |
| Healthcare Summit Chhattisgarh               | Raipur           | December         |  |  |  |  |
| Healthcare Summit Arunachal Pradesh          | Itanagar         | January 2018     |  |  |  |  |
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| <b>EDUCATION</b>                             |                  |                  |  |  |  |  |
| Higher Education & HR Conclave               | Jaipur           | December         |  |  |  |  |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> World Education Summit      | Dubai            | 26 - 27 November |  |  |  |  |
| School Leadership Summit 2018                | Bengaluru        | 13 January 2018  |  |  |  |  |

















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# UNDERSTANDING TECHNOLOGICAL INNOVATIONS IN THE BANKING WORLD

The banking sector is undergoing a paradigm shift with the growing usage of technology in providing intensive solutions for increasing revenue, better customer experience, optimising cost structure and managing enterprise risk. India, in particular, has reported a lot of transformation in the banking domain in sync with the "Digital India" campaign. The year 2017 has brought in various technology-based innovations in the Indian banking sector. Unified Payments Interface (UPI), Bharat Interface for Money (BHIM) app are among of such inventions.

In its effort to highlight the growing interface of technology in the banking sector, Elets Technomedia Pvt Ltd organised the '2nd BFSI CTO Summit' on July 27, 2017, in Mumbai. The summit was an amalgamation of Chief Technology Officers, Chief Information Officers, Chief Information Security Officers and General Manager-Information Technology of the leading commercial banks across India, senior level executives, technology innovators and solution providers, who shared their expertise on the issues pertaining to the technological innovations adopted by the banks and financial institutions. The summit was inaugurated by Padma Jaiswal, Secretary, Department of Cooperation,NRI Affairs, Official Language, Labour and Employment, and Public Grievance, Government of Goa, Kaustubh Dhavse, Joint Secretary, Chief Minister Office and Officer on Special Duty to Chief Minister, Maharashtra and Shiv Kumar Bhasin, Chief Technology Officer, State Bank











#### **INAUGURAL SESSION**

IT AND ITS RISING SIGNIFICANCE IN MANAGING CASHLESS **ECONOMY AND EMBRACING THE DIGITAL REVOLUTION** 

#### PADMA JAISWAL

Department of Cooperation,NRI Affairs, Official Language, Labour and Employment, and Public Grievance, Government of Goa

"The banking sector in India is changing rapidly due to technological advancements and global competiveness. The digital wave is growing at a much faster pace than we expected it to be. We have now reached the third wave of the digital economy. The first wave was all about introduction to the Internet, the second wave comprised social media interaction and the third wave essentially deals with technologies like Artificial Intelligence, cloud computing and several others."





#### KAUSTUBH DHAVSE

Joint Secretary Chief Minister Office and Officer on Special Duty to Chief Minister, Government of Maharashtra

"Inclusive, efficient and accountable technologies are the three pillars of governance. These assist the government to achieve success in attaining the infrastructural goals. On 20 November, 2014, the government had taken a crucial step of framing a comprehensive development technology strategy of the State. We laid a very robust plan for impacting technology prevailing in the State, to ensure a better synergy with citizens. The first major step initiated was Aaple Sarkar (your government) for delivering services."



#### SHIV KUMAR BHASIN Chief Technology Officer State Bank of India

"The banking industry in India is rapidly upgrading in sync with technology. Banks are no longer limited to physical transactions and have now transformed completely into software based financial institutions. The banks have now become progressive and all the technology heads from various banks now look for platforms to exchange ideas and challenges."









#### **TECHNOLOGY PRESENTATION**



Datamatics Global Services Ltd "The current scenario looks very bullish. Robotics Process Automation (RPA) has emerged as a strong contender and it is indeed a game changer for the BFSI industry. We have already witnessed a growth of 63 per cent in 2016. It is noteworthy that Indian banks and financial institutions are way ahead than their counterpart in terms of technology adaptation." 670 Summit 2017

#### **PANEL DISCUSSION**

Significance of IT in Paving

Paradigm Shift in BFSI Industry **SUBRATA GUPTA** Chief General Manager-IT NABARD "Technology is going to bring a massive change in the way banking is done in India. Biometrics, cloud computing, Blockchain, etc., are some of the technologies that are going to set a trend in the banking industry. Mobile banking and Internet banking are going to take over and become the key drivers of change."

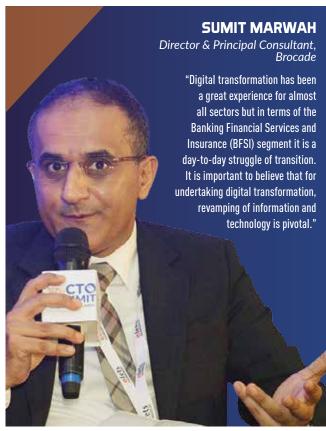






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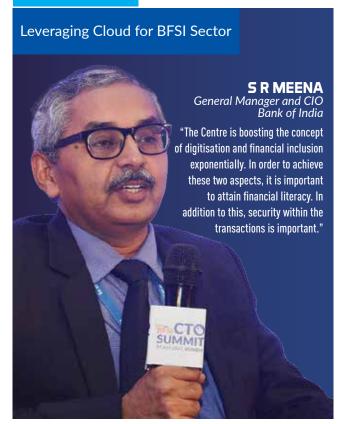


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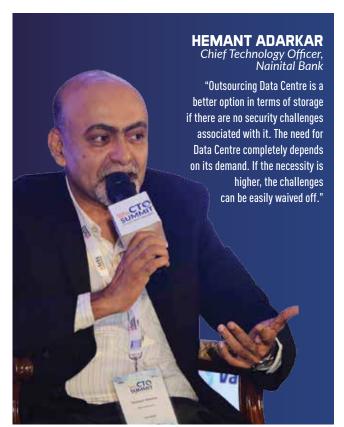




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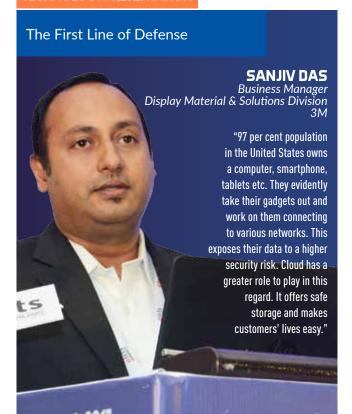




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# "Majority of the banks are putting their non critical information on cloud that is not associated with the customers. Our focus is different to this. We are putting our customer-based information on cloud to test the level of scalability and liability."

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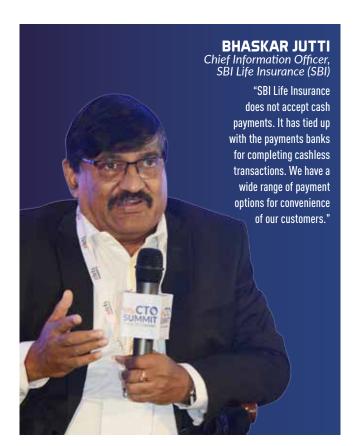




#### **SV SUNDER KRISHNAN** Chief Risk Officer Reliance Nippon Life Insurance Company Limited "The challenges and opportunities across BFSI sector are similar. We all deal with issues pertaining to data duplicacy, realtime customer experience, clear gratification of customers' demands, and several others. The need of the customers in the recent times is very challenging to meet.'













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