

Consumer Education Literature

RBI vide its circular DOR.STR.REC.68/21.04.048/2021-22, dated 12.11.2021 instructed all lending institutions to place Consumer Education Literature on their websites.

Accordingly, Central Bank of India is providing herewith Consumer Education Literature, incorporating RBI directions on Prudential norms on Income Recognition, Asset Classification and Provisioning pertaining to advances, up to 15.02.2022 for consumer education purpose.

<u>Concepts/ clarifications/ Illustrative examples on Due dates and specification of SMA / NPA classification dates</u>

Dues:

Mean, the principal / interest/ any charges levied on the loan account which are payable within the period stipulated as per the terms of sanction of the credit facility.

Overdue:

Mean, the principal / interest/ any charges levied on the loan account which are payable, but have not been paid within the period stipulated as per the terms of sanction of the credit facility. In other words, any amount due to the bank under any credit facility is 'overdue' if it is not paid on the due date fixed by the bank.

Relevance of the Principle of 'First In First Out' (FIFO) in appropriation of payments into the borrowal account:

The Principle of FIFO i.e., 'First In, First Out' accounting method is relevant to arrive at the No of days of overdue for determining the SMA/ NPA status. The FIFO principle assumes that the oldest outstanding dues in the loan account needs to be cleared first. The FIFO method thus requires that what is due first must be paid by the borrower first. For example,

If in any loan account as on 01.02.2021 there are no overdues and an amount of Rs. X is due for payment towards principal instalment/ interest/ charges, any payment being credited on or after 01.02.2021 in the loan account will be used to pay off the dues outstanding on 01 02 2021

Assuming that nothing is paid or there is partial payment (Rs Y) of dues during the month of February, the overdue as on 01.03 2021 will be Rs .X-Y

Additionally, an amount of Rs.Z becomes due as on 01 03 2021, Now any payment /partial payment into the account on or after 01 03.2021 will be first utilized to pay off the partial due of 01.02 2021 (Rs X — Rs Y). If there is more recovery than the Rs X — Rs Y then after recovering dues of 01.02.2021, the remaining amount will be treated as recovery towards due of 01.03.2021.

Age of oldest Dues

The age of oldest dues is reckoned in days from the date on which the oldest payment is due and continues to remain unpaid. In the aforesaid illustration, if the Dues relating to 1st February 2021 remain unpaid till 01.03 2021, the age of the oldest dues is reckoned as 29 days on 02.03.2021.



Classification as Special Mention Account (SMA) and Non-Performing Asset (NPA)

Lending institutions will recognize the incipient stress in loan accounts, immediately on Default, by classifying them as Special Mention Accounts (SMA). The basis of classification of SMA / NPA Category shall be as follows:

Loans in the nature	of Term Loans	Loans in the nature of cash credit/overdraft			
SMA Sub-categories	Basis for classification — Principal or interest payment or any other amount wholly or partly overdue	SMA Sub-categories	Basis for classification — Outstanding balance remains continuously in excess of the sanctioned limit or drawing power, whichever is lower, for a period of		
SMA-O	Up to 30 days				
SMA-I	More than 30 days and up to 60 da s	SMA-I	More than 30 days and up to 60 days		
SMA-2	More than 60 days and up to 90 days	SMA-2	More than 60 days and up to 90 days		

Non-performing Asset:

Non-Performing Asset (NPA) is a loan or an advance where.

- i. Interest and/ or instalment of principal remains overdue for a period of more than 90 days in respect of a term loan,
- ii. The account remains 'out of order' as indicated below, in respect of an Overdraft/Cash Credit (OD/CC),
- iii. The bill remains overdue for a period of more than 90 days in the case of bills purchased and discounted,
- iv. The instalment of principal or interest thereon remains overdue for two crop seasons for short duration crops,
- v. The instalment of principal or interest thereon remains overdue for one crop season for long duration crops.

'Out of Order' Status .

An account shall be treated as 'out of order' if:

- i. The outstanding balance in the CC/OD account remains continuously in excess of the sanctioned limit/drawing power for 90 days, or
- ii. The outstanding balance in the CC/OD account is less than the sanctioned limit/drawing power but there are no credits continuously for 90 days, or the outstanding balance in the CC/OD account is less than the sanctioned limit/drawing power but credits are not enough to cover the interest debited during the previous 90 days period.

The 'previous 90 days period' for determination of 'out of order' status of a CC/OD account shall be inclusive of the day for which the day-end process is being run and it is on continuous basis.



Illustrative movement of an account to SMA category to NPA category based on delay / non-payment of dues and subsequent up-gradation to Standard category at day end process:

Due date of payment	Payment Date	Payment covers	Age of oldest dues in days	SMA / NPA Categorisati on	SMA since Date /SMA class date	NPA Categoriz ation	NPA Date
01 .01.22	01 .01.22	Entire dues up to 01.01.22	0	NIL	NA	NA	NA
01 .02.22	01 .02.22	Partly paid dues of 01.02.22	1	SMA-O	01 .02.22	NA	NA
01.02.22	02.02.22	Partly paid dues of 01.02.22	2	SMA-O	01 .02.22	NA	NA
01 .03.22		Dues of 01.02.22 not fully paid 01.03.22 is also due at EOD 01.03.22	29	SMA-O	01 .02.22	NA	NA
		Dues of 01.02.22 fully paid, Due for 01.03.22 not paid at EOD 01.03.22	1	SMA-O	01 .03.22	NA	NA
		No payment of full dues of 01.02.22 and 01.03.22 at EOD 03.03.22	31	SMA- 1	01 .02.22 03.03.22	NA	NA
		Dues of 01.02.22 fully paid, Due for 01.03.22 not fully paid at	1	SMA-O	01 .03.22	NA	NA

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		EOD 1.03.22					
01 .04.22		No payment of dues of 01.02.22 ,01.03.22 and amount due on 01.4.22 at EOD 01.04.22	60	SMA 1	01 .02.22/ 03.03.22	NA	NA
		No payment of dues of 01.02.22 till 01.04.22 at EOD 02.04.22	61	SMA 2	01 .02.22 /02.04.22	NA	NA
01 .05.22		No payment of dues of 01.02.22 till 01.05.22 at EOD 01.05.22	90	NPA	01 .02.22 /02.04.22	NA	NA
		No payment of dues of 01.02.22 till 01.05.22 at EOD 02.05.22	91	NPA	NA	NPA	02.05.22
01.06.22	01.06.22	Fully Paid dues of 01.02.22 at EOD 01 .06.22	93	NPA	NA	NPA	02.05.22
01.07.22	01.07.22	Paid entire dues of 01 .03.22 & 01.04.22 at EOD 01 .07.22	62	NPA	NA	NPA	02.05.22



01.08.22	01.08.22	Paid entire	32	NPA	NA	NPA	02.05.22
		dues of					
		01 .05.22 &					
		01.06.22 at					
		EOD					
		01 .08.22					
01.09.22	01.09.22	Paid entire	1	NPA	NA	NPA	02.05.22
		dues of					
		01 .07.22 &					
		01.08.22 at					
		EOD					
		01 .09.22					
01.10.22	01.10.22	Paid entire	0	Standard	NA	NA	STD
		dues of		Account			from
		01.09.22 &		with No			01.10.22
		01 .10.22		Overdues			

All respected customers are requested to be aware about latest RBI guidelines on Prudential norms on Income Recognition, Asset Classification and Provisioning pertaining to advances. For further details, please contact your nearest branch.