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All Scheduled Commercial Banks
(including Regional Rural Banks)

Dear Sir,

**Opening of Savings Bank Accounts in the name of
Self - Help Groups.**

Please refer to para 3(i) of our directive DBOD No. Dir. BC/151/C.347-85 dated 27th December 1985 in terms of which banks have been prohibited from opening of savings bank accounts in the name of certain bodies & organizations. The issue relating to opening of savings bank accounts by Self Help Groups financed by banks under a pilot project launched by National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (c.f. Circulars RPCD.No. Plan BC.13/PL.09.22/90-91 dated 24th July 1991 and No. DPD .FS. 4631/92-N91-92 dated 26th February 1992 issued by our Rural Planning and Credit Department and National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development respectively) has been examined and it has been decided that such Self-Help Groups, registered or unregistered, may be allowed to open Savings Bank Accounts with banks.

Yours Faithfully

(B.D..Nitsure)
Deputy Chief Officer