In the post-financial sector reforms era, one of the initiatives taken by NABARD was to revamp both the cooperatives and RRBs through DAPs and MoU, and this received much greater impetus with the reforms initiated in the financial sector by the Government.

Institution specific Development Action Plans are prepared by SCBs/DCCBs since 1994-95 which aims at strengthening Short-term and Long-term cooperative credit institutions as viable units on a sustainable basis. RRBs prepare Annual Plans and execute MoUs with their Sponsor Banks with an aim to deliver desired results on various financial parameters which are being monitored in the quarterly review meeting conducted by RBI & NABARD.

In the year 2014-15, new guidelines were issued to all SCBs to reintroduce the preparation of a time-bound and monitorable DAP by all Cooperative Banks for a period of 2 years i.e. 2015-16 & 2016-17. This was to enable all Cooperative Banks to attain and sustain Capital to Risk Asset Ratio (CRAR) at 7% & 9% by 31st March 2015 & 31st March 2017 respectively, as stipulated by RBI.