

## P R E F A C E

The present research work tries to study the role of an urban cooperative bank in the development of small scale industries and trade with particular reference to the Solapur Janata Sahakari Bank Limited, Solapur. The objectives include - to study the progress and performance of the bank in respect of membership, share capital, working capital, loaning policy, deposit mobilisation function and image of the branches. We also carried a very small sample case study of 100 beneficieries with a view to studying the bank's role for development of priority sector, small business enterprises and the development of weaker section. Though, our findings cannot be generalised, we have got sufficient proof to state that the Solapur Janata Sahakari Bank has tremendous potential for the development of small scale industries and trade in the city of Solapur.

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