

S Y N O P S I S :

The entire study is divided into two parts consisting of 9 chapters as follows.

PART - I

Chapter - I : This Chapter deals with the introduction, methodology, scope and limitations of the study.

Chapter - II : This chapter deals with the nationalisation of banks. It takes an account of the banking scene in the pre-nationalisation period, social control on banks and nationalisation of banks made in 1969 and 1980.

Chapter -III : This chapter discusses the role of nationalised banks in rural development.

PART - II

Chapter - IV : This chapter describes the history, growth and organisational structure of Bank of Maharashtra.

Chapter - V : This chapter reviews the performance of all commercial banks since nationalisation in respect of mobilisation of deposits in general and the performance of selected rural branches of Bank of Maharashtra in Kolhapur District in particular during the period from 1977 to 1981.

Chapter - VI : This chapter deals with advances to priority sectors. It reviews the performance of public sector banks in this respect in general and the performance of selected rural branches of Bank of Maharashtra in Kolhapur District in particular during the period from 1977 to 1981.

Chapter - VII: This chapter deals with participation of banks in employment promotion programme and reviews the performance of selected rural branches of Bank of Maharashtra in Kolhapur district during the period from 1977 to 1981.

Chapter -VIII: This chapter deals with finance to the weaker sections of the community. It gives information of the 'Differential Rate of Interest Scheme' and 'Integrated Rural Development Programme', both formulated for financing selected low income group persons and those below poverty line and takes review of the performance of the selected rural branches of Bank of Maharashtra in Kolhapur District in this respect.

Chapter - IX : In the concluding chapter findings of the study are noted and suggestions are made.