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CHAPTER -I  
INTRODUCTION

1:1 INTRODUCTION :-

Like Germany, the Urban co-operative credit movement started in India particularly to meet the credit needs of various middle class people. Such as Traders, businessmen, artisans, factory workers, salaried people, in the urban and semi-urban areas. Urban co-operative banks are the important constituent of urban co-operative credit movement in India. Such banks were started with the objective of promoting the habit of savings among the middle and lower class people in urban and semi-urban areas and provide institutional finance to them. These banks gradually developed and made a good headway in their banking business.

The urban co-operative banks at present concentrated in few states like Maharashtra, Gujarat, Karnataka and Tamil-Nadu, which accounted for 78% of the total number of urban banks in India, out of which 35% of banks are in the state of Maharashtra. These banks have reached in almost all the towns and cities of Maharashtra. These banks played an important role in mobilisation of deposits and providing loans and advances to urban-people. It is important to note that in State of Maharashtra Kolhapur District has played a dominant role in the development of urban banks. In Kolhapur district,

at present these are 40 urban banks out of which 15 banks are registered in Kolhapur City itself.

Shri.Veershaiv Cooperative Bank Ltd., is established in 1942. Since then the Bank is working in Kolhapur city. The researcher, therefore felt it necessary to study the working of this Bank, as a symbolical example for the evolution of the working of urban-cooperative banks in Kolhapur city.

1:2 OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY:-

The objectives of the present study are as follows.

- i) The main objective of the study is to evaluate the working of the "Shri.Veershaiv Co-operative Bank Ltd., Kolhapur, during the period under study, with reference to its specific aspects.
  - a) Mobilisation of Deposits(Savings) and
  - b) Loans and Advances.
- ii) To make the necessary suggestions for efficient working.

1:3 SCOPE OF THE STUDY :-

The present study covers mainly two aspects, viz (a) Mobilisation of deposits and (b) Loans and Advances. These two aspects of the Bank have been studied for the period of 12 years i.e. 1973 to 1984. Similarly, the term urban-co-operative banks in Kolhapur city covers only those urban co-operative banks which have been established in Kolhapur and their branches in outside the Kolhapur area. In

otherwords, these urban co-operative banks established in out of Kolhapur city area but their branches are in Kolhapur, are however, not included in the present ~~city~~ study. Hence Shri.Veershaiv Co-operative Bank Ltd., Kolhapur with its all branches in outside area, is considered for out study.

#### 1:4 METHODOLOGY :-

This study is purely based on the secondary data i.e. published annual reports of the bank. Discussions with Bank Managers, Officers, Supervisors are also made on certain important matters of deposits and loans. The researcher has selected Shri.Veershaiv Co-operative Bank Ltd., Kolhapur as unit to study its working with reference to specific aspects as stated on the scope of this study. Similarly a period of twelve years from 1973 to 1984 is selected for study purpose.

#### 1:5 SOURCES OF DATA COLLECTION :-

The data required for the study are collected from the various sources as :

- i) Annual reports of the Bank and other urban-co-operative banks in Kolhapur.
- ii) Various pamphlets on deposit schemes of the Bank.
- iii) Discussions with Bank Managers and Officers of the Bank ~~and~~ other urban co-operative banks in Kolhapur.

- iv) Library resource: Various books, journals and reports on Banking.

1:6 LIMITATIONS OF THE STUDY :-

Since the study is undertaken as a part of the fulfillments of the requirements of the degree course of Master of Philosophy in Commerce, the researcher has limited it to one unit in the urban co-operative banks.

The dissertation is required to be submitted to the University within a prescribed period of time, Therefore, the study is limited to certain aspects of the Bank. Similarly, the period of study is also limited to twelve years from 1973 to 1984. The necessary details on certain matter like loans for other purposes etc. are not made available.

1:7 PLAN OF THE STUDY :-

The present study is divided into seven chapters as;

The First chapter deals with the introduction which states importance of the subject, objectives of the study, methodology and limitations of the study.

The Second chapter includes the general background of urban co-operative banks. It covers the meaning of co-operation, urban co-operative banks, and Historical development of urban co-operative banks in the world, India, Maharashtra and in Kolhapur district.

Kolhapur district.

The Third chapter refers to the development of urban co-operative banks in Kolhapur city.

The Fourth Chapter deals with a profile of Shri.Veershaiv Co-operative Bank Ltd., Kolhapur with its growth upto 1984.

The Fifth chapter deals with the working of the bank with reference to mobilisation of deposits during the period 1972-73 to 1983-84.

The Sixth chapter includes the details about types of and purpose-wise loans and advances of the Bank during the period under review.

The Last chapter explains the summary conclusions and suggestions.