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Methodology to be adopted for this study includes collection of data from the Bank for the purpose of studying how the beneficiaries have got the loans, how they have utilised them and how they repaid the loans so as to achieve the following objectives.

Objectives of the Study :

1. To Study the policy matters and procedures followed by the Bank in granting long term loans for agriculture.
2. To study how the Bank has ensured utilisation of the loans and recovery thereof.

Scope of the Study :

As indicated above, this study is concerned with the long term finance for agriculture by the KDCC Bank. The Bank provides long term loans only for three purposes i.e.

- i) Construction of Godowns
- ii) Construction of houses by the Bank Employee and
- iii) Lift Irrigation Schemes.

For this study, however, only the third purpose is taken into consideration. Bank has started with long term financing in 1982-83. Long term financing for agriculture done by the Bank from 1982-83 to 1986-87 is considered for this study. Normally,

farmers require long term investment for lift irrigation. There are 16 Lift Irrigation Schemes in Kolhapur District for which the Bank has provided long term loans. This has benefitted 2312 agriculturists getting irrigation facility for about 3,800 acres of land. It is thought appropriate to study long term financing for agriculture done by the Bank.

Methods of Data Collection :

Primary data regarding the long term loans for agriculture provided by the Bank have been collected directly from the records of the Bank. Data were collected mainly with the help of following records/methods.

1. Records at the Bank, including their published Annual Reports and unpublished records like files maintained, statements and notes prepared from time to time at the time of sanctioning loans.
2. Books and periodicals published, containing material concerning the Bank.
3. Discussion with the various officers of the agriculture loan department of the Bank has helped the author in understanding the policy matters and procedures of long term financing. The Statistical Department and Data collection Department of the Bank gave all statements and figures relating to long term finance. Discussion with the sectional head and scrutiny officer of long term Finance from the Agricultural Credit Department of the Bank helped the author get an insight into the loan sanctioning procedure.

With the help of documents and other relevant papers submitted by the Society, filed separately for each irrigation scheme, the details of the schemes have been obtained. So also, inspector's reports of the visits paid to the Lift Irrigation Schemes have been studied.

Limitations of the Study :

This study covers only one purpose of long term loans provided by the Bank. Also only loans given for 16 Lift Irrigation Schemes in Kolhapur District and refinanced by NABARD have been considered for the purpose of this study. The findings of the study may not, therefore, be directly applicable to the other areas particularly when we consider the state of Maharashtra and the country; for an indepth study one requires to cover a wider area and longer period of time. Even with the above mentioned limitations the researcher is confident that his work would provide a direction in which further detailed study may be undertaken.

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CHAPTER SCHEME

Chapter Scheme of the Desertation is as follows :-

<u>CHAPTER NO.</u>	<u>C O N T E N T S.</u>
I	Introduction to long term finance for agriculture in India. All Financial Institutions providing Long Term Loans are covered.
II	Methodology- Scope and objectives of the study, methods of data collection and limitations of the study.
III	Description about long term Financing by the Bank, its policies and procedure.
IV	Details of Long term financing made by the Bank from 1982-83 to 1986-87. Loans granted by the Bank, refinance from NABARD, recoveries effected and overdues , utilisation of loans, are also covered in this Chapter.
V	Problems before the Bank and Solutions thereof.