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**Regional Development Department** 

Ref No: 32/04/034/0001/001

10.09.2021

To: CEO/ GM of all Participating Financial Institutions (PFIs) of SCRF

Dear Sir/Madam,

# (1) Saubagya COVID 19 Renaissance Facility: Extension of Concessions Provided for Businesses and Individuals in the Tourism Industry.

#### (2) Saubagya COVID 19 Renaissance Facility: Extension of Concessions.

This is further to the letters issued on 24.03.2021 and 09.06.2021 on the above subjects, respectively, by the Director, Regional Development Department (RDD) of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka (CBSL).

#### 2. Extended Concessions for the loans granted under the Saubagya COVID 19 Renaissance Facility (SCRF)

2.1. In line with the Section 09 of the Monetary Board Circular No. 08 of 2021 dated 01.09.2021 issued by the Monetary Board of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka (The Monetary Board Circular) (Annex A), it has been decided to extend the debt moratorium facility of the SCRF Phase I, II and III up to 31.12.2021 on case-by-case basis.

2.2. Debt moratorium could be provided only for Capital Repayment or for both Capital and Interest Payments of the respective loans, as requested by the sub-borrowers. Proposed concessions shall grant for the sub-borrowers who are affected by COVID-19, as defined in the Monetary Board Circular, on case by case basis.

2.3. Eligible borrowers who wish to avail the concessions shall make a request seeking such concessions to the relevant PFIs on or before 30.09.2021. Participating Financial Institutions (PFIs) shall expeditiously communicate the concessions, deadlines and application format for the submission to all eligible borrowers via printed and/or electronic means including e-mail and SMS.

2.4. Accordingly, PFIs are requested to accept the request from the eligible borrowers who wish to avail the extension of concessions and report the details separately for each Phases of the scheme as per the attached format (RDD-SCRF- 10.09.2021- Annex I) to the Director of RDD by 15.10.2021. Soft copy of the details in Excel format shall be sent to <u>bashika@cbsl.lk</u> and <u>sehan@cbsl.lk</u> with a copy to <u>vijithap@cbsl.lk</u>.

#### 3. Computation of Interest with regard to the extended debt moratorium periods

3.1. All PFIs are hereby informed to compute the interest on the capital accumulation resulting from the extended debt moratorium period, in conformity with the interest rate of 4 per cent per annum as given in the respective Operating Instructions and subsequent amendments issued by the Director, RDD of the CBSL on the implementation of Saubagya SCRF Phase I, II and III.

3.2. In the event of any PFI has charged an interest from any sub-borrower, which is higher than the interest rate referred above, at any given time, under any circumstance, such PFI shall make immediate arrangements to reverse such interest charges in favor of the sub-borrower and pay the difference to the relevant sub-borrowers.

3.3. If any sub-borrower of SCRF Phase I, II and III, has opted for no payment of interest during the debt moratorium period, the interest accumulated during such period should be equally distributed among the remaining loan installments. No interest should be charged on accumulated interest during the debt moratorium period and no any compound interest shall be computed during the debt moratorium period.

3.4. These guidelines on interest computation is applicable for the loans for which the concessions granted by the letters dated 24.03.2021 and 09.06.2021, as well.

#### 4. Execute the Recovery Actions for Non-Performing Loans (NPLs)

4.1. In line with the Section 2 (c) of the Monetary Board Circular, PFIs are required to initiate all required initial recovery actions which will be suspended according to the guideline of the same circular, within one month after 31.12.2021, on defaulted borrowers of the SCRF Phase I, II and III.

4.2. PFIs are required to send Credit Guarantee claims to the RDD after taking all required recovery actions relevant to that claims as stipulated in the prevailing Operating Instructions of the SCRF Phase III.

#### 5. Providing Concessions for the loans in the NPL Category

5.1. PFIs shall provide the debt moratorium for NPL category for upcoming loan installments, subject to the condition that, the PFI shall comply with all the Directions issued by the CBSL with regard to the NPLs when taking a decision. Further, PFIs shall not back date debt moratorium facility for the borrowers who are already in NPL category and transfer such borrowers to the performing category.

**6.** Arrangements will be made, in collaboration with the Bank Supervision Department of the CBSL, to ensure the compliance of the PFIs with theses instructions.

**7.** Please bring the contents of this letter to the notice of the officers of the relevant departments/branches of your bank and ensure meeting the deadlines mentioned above, to maintain the operational efficiency of the SCRF Schemes.

Yours faithfully,

*sgnd*.B.L.J.S.Balasooriya **Director/Regional Development Department** 

## "Saubagya COVID-19 Renaissance Facility"

#### Details of Extension of Concessions Provided for Businesses and Individuals

Phase : .....

Name of the PFI: .....

| # | CBSL<br>Registration<br>No. | CBSL<br>Refinance<br>No. (if<br>applicable) | Name of the<br>Borrower/s | NIC/BR | Approved<br>Loan<br>Amount by<br>the CBSL<br>(Rs.) | Loan<br>Released<br>Amount by<br>the PFI (Rs.) | Date of<br>Loan<br>Released by<br>the PFI | Date of<br>Refinance<br>granted by<br>the CBSL<br>(For SCRF<br>Phase I and | Concession<br>Extended<br>Date by the<br>PFI | Existing<br>Repayment<br>Period of<br>the Loan* | Initial Grace<br>Period (GP)<br>provided for<br>the loan (No.<br>of months) | riod (GP) the Debt<br>poided for moratorium<br>loan (No. previously<br>months) granted (if | Requested<br>new Debt<br>Moratorium | Ending date<br>of the new<br>Debt<br>Moratorium | Requested<br>Moratorium<br>Facility<br>(Capital<br>only/Capital<br>and Interest<br>Both)** | Sector<br>(Tourism/<br>Other)** |
|---|-----------------------------|---|---------------------------|--------|--|--|---|--|--|---|---|--|-------------------------------------|---|--|---------------------------------|
|   |                             |   |                           |        |  |  |   | II)  |  |   |   | any)   |                                     |   | Both)**  |                                 |

\*After the Debt Moratorium granted by the letter dated 09.06.2021. (Please note repayment period shall not be extended by this debt moratorium)

\*\* Pls, mention as appropriate

### RDD-SCRF- 10.09.2021- Annex I