



Awareness programme on Prudential Norms on IRAC and Provisioning pertaining to Advances

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IRAC Norms - Introduction



On recommendations of Narsimham Committee on Banking Sector Reforms (1991), **PRUDENTIAL ACCOUNTING NORMS** have been implemented in Banks in India (1993)

PRUDENTIAL ACCOUNTING NORMS

- ➤ Income Recognition
- ➤ Asset Classification
- **→** Provisioning

Income in the Loan account is booked and accounted for, till the time it is defined as Standard as per RBI Guidelines

Its now an established rule for the last 30 years but has gained importance in view of recent RBI guidelines dated 01.10.2021 & 12.11.2021.

Some finer points have been added which requires strict compliance by the Bank as well as the customers

DEFINITION-SMA (Special Mention Accounts)



- ➤ Loan Accounts invariably moves through various stages of SMA (except Fraud or Specifically marked NPA)
- Special Mention Accounts are those which are exhibiting signs of incipient stress resulting in borrower defaulting in servicing of debt obligations

Loans Other Th	nan Revolving Credit facilities	Loans in the Nature of Revolving Credit Facilities like CC / OD		
SMA Sub Categories	Basis for classification – Principal or interest payment or any other amount wholly or partly overdue	SMA Sub Categories	Basis for classification –Outstanding balance remains continuously in excess of the sanctioned limit or drawing power, whichever is lower, for a period of:	
SMA 0	Upto 30 days			
SMA 1	More than 30 days and upto 60 days	SMA 1	More than 30 days and upto 60 days	
SMA 2	More than 60 days and upto 90 days	SMA 2	More than 60 days and upto 90 days	

Classification as Special Mention Account (SMA)

In the above context, it is further clarified that borrower accounts shall be flagged as overdue by the lending institutions as part of their day-end processes for the due date, irrespective of the time of running such processes. Similarly, classification of borrower accounts as SMA as well as NPA shall be done as part of day-end process for the relevant date and the SMA or NPA classification date shall be the calendar date for which the day end process is run. In other words, the date of SMA/NPA shall reflect the asset classification status of an account at the day-end of that calendar date

Example:

- ❖ If due date of a loan account is March 31, 2021, and full dues are not received before the lending institution runs the day-end process for this date, the date of overdue shall be March 31, 2021.
- ❖ If it continues to remain overdue, then this account shall get tagged as SMA-1 upon running day-end process on April 30, 2021 i.e. upon completion of 30 days of being continuously overdue. Accordingly, the date of SMA-1 classification for that account shall be April 30, 2021.
- Similarly, if the account continues to remain overdue, it shall get tagged as SMA-2 upon running day-end process on May 30, 2021 and if continues to remain overdue further, it shall get classified as NPA upon running day-end process on June 29, 2021.

DEFINITION-Non-performing Assets

A non performing asset (NPA) is a loan or an advance where

- ➤ Loan AC (DL or TL) Interest and/ or Installment of Principal remain Overdue (when not paid on Due Date fixed by the Bank) for a period of more than 90 days
- ➤ Cash Credit Or Overdraft AC, if remains "Out Of Order" for a period of more than 90 days Out Of Order:

An account shall be treated as 'out of order' if:

- the outstanding balance in the CC/OD account remains continuously in excess of the sanctioned limit/drawing power for 90 days, or
- the outstanding balance in the CC/OD account is less than the sanctioned limit/drawing power **but there are no credits** continuously for 90 days,

or

the outstanding balance in the CC/OD account is less than the sanctioned limit/drawing power but credits are not enough to cover the interest debited during the previous 90 days period

DEFINITION-Non-performing Assets

A non performing asset (NPA) is a loan or an advance where

- > Limits not Reviewed for more than 180 days from the due date of Renewal
- > Limit allowed to avail against Stock statement of more than 180 days old
- ➤ the bill remains overdue for a period of more than 90 days in the case of bills purchased and discounted. (Any amount due to the bank under any credit facility is 'overdue' if it is not paid on the due date fixed by the bank)
- > AGRI Loans : the instalment of principal or interest thereon remains overdue for two crop seasons for **short duration** crops.
- > AGRI Loans: the instalment of principal or interest thereon remains overdue for one crop season for long duration crops.
- ➤ In respect of derivative transactions, the overdue receivables representing positive mark-to-market value of a derivative contract, if these remain unpaid for a period of 90 days from the specified due date for payment.

Finer Points on the Existing Guidelines



All the previously discussed Guidelines are in existence for the last 30 years although being fine tuned from time to time by RBI

As per the Clarification on above Guidelines by RBI dated 12.11.2021, it is expected that Banks should be more transparent to their borrowers with regard to SMA & NPA identification

Further it is also expected that customers should also be constructively engaged with the Banks for maintaining the asset quality of their loans in a better informed scenario, particularly about the criteria for SMA stages and situation for being declared as NPA/ Defaulted Borrower and initiation of Recovery measures

Finer Points for Compliance of the Existing Guidelines



Changes directed for compliance to attain the previously discussed points and to be incorporated in Sanction Documents:

- Exact Due Date of Repayment of Loan
- Frequency of Repayment
- Break up between Principal & Interest to be repaid
- > If loan with moratorium of Principal & Interest exact date of commencement of repayment
- > Examples of SMA / NPA classification dates should also be mentioned for better understanding of the customer

Above details are to be provided to customer at the time of Loan sanction as also on subsequent changes, till the time loan is fully paid.

Above Compliance is to be ensured on or before 31.12.2021 for fresh Loans For existing Loans, the same is to be complied at the time of Review/Renewal

Illustrative Movement of an account to SMA to NPA





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			Age of oldest	SMA / NPA	SMA since	NPA categ	
Due date	Payment		dues in	categorisa	date / SMA	orisat	
of Payment		Payment Covers	days	tion	Class date	ion	NPA Date
		Entire dues upto 01.01.2022	0	NIL	NA	NA	NA
		Partly paid dues of 01.02.2022	1	SMA 0	01.02.2022	NA	NA
01.02.2022	02.02.2022	Partly paid dues of 01.02.2022	2	SMA 0	01.02.2022	NA	NA
01.03.2022		Dues of 01.02.2022 not fully paid 01.03.2022 is also due at EOD 01.03.2022	29	SMA 0	01.02.2022	NA	NA
		Dues of 01.02.2022fully paid Due for 01.03.2022 not paid at EOD 01.03.2022	1	SMA 0	01.03.2022	NA	NA
		No payment of full dues of 01.02.2022 and 01.03.2022 at EOD 03.03.2022	31	SMA 1	01.02.2022 03.03.2022	NA	NA
		Dues of 01.02.2022 fully paid, Dues for 01.03.2022 not fully paid at EOD 01.03.2022	1	SMA 0	01.03.2022	NA	NA
		No payment of dues of $01.02.2022$ and $01.03.2022$ and amount due on $01.04.2022$ at			01.02.2022		
01.04.2022		EOD 01.04.2022	60	SMA 1	03.03.2022	NA	NA
		No payment of dues of 01.02.2022 till 01.04.2022 at EOD 02.04.2022	61	SMA 2	01.02.2022 02.04.2022	NA	NA
					01.02.2022		
01.05.2022		No payment of dues of 01.02.2022 till 01.05.2022 at EOD 01.05.2022	90	SMA 2	02.04.2022	NA	NA
		No payment of dues of 01.02.2022 till 01.05.2022 at EOD 02.05.2022	91	NPA	NA	NPA	02.05.2022
01.06.2022	01.06.2022	Fully paid dues of 01.02.2022 at EOD 01.06.2022	93	NPA	NA	NA	02.05.2022
01.07.2022	01.07.2022	Paid entire dues of 01.03.2022 & 01.04.2022 at EOD 01.07.2022	62	NPA	NA	NA	02.05.2022
01.08.2022	01.08.2022	Paid entire dues of 01.05.2022 & 01.06.2022 at EOD 01.08.2022	32	NPA	NA	NA	02.05.2022
01.09.2022	01.09.2022	Paid entire dues of 01.07.2022 & 01.08.2022 at EOD 01.09.2022	1	NPA	NA	NA	02.05.2022
				STD A/c with no			STD from
01.10.2022	01.10.2022	Paid entire dues of 01.09.2022 & 01.10.2022	0	overdues	NA	NA	01.10.2022

Illustrative Movement for Out Of Order



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	Date	Descrip	Debit	Credit	Balance	Remarks
	31.03.21	Opening bal.			10000	Presuming Limit & DP Rs.10000.00. NIL Irregularity on 31.03.21
	31.03.21	Intt	1000		11000	
	24.04.21	cash deposit		2500	8500	
	30.04.21	Intt	1025		9525	No intt irregularity for previous 90 days
Ī	05.05.21	cash deposit		750	8775	
						As on 31.05.21 Total CTO during previous 90 days (31.05.21 to 02.03.21) is 3250/-
	31.05.21	Intt	1035		9810	against Intt debit of Rs.3060/ Hence "No OOO"
	10.06.21	cash deposit		250	9560	
						As on 30.06.21 total CTO during previous 90 days is 3500/- against Intt debit of
	30.06.21	Intt	995		10555	Rs.3055/ Hence "No OOO"
						AC will Slip to NPA on 24.07.2021 as the total CTO during previous 90 days
	26.07.21	cash deposit		550	10005	(25.04.21 to 23.07.21) is only Rs.1000/- against intt debit of Rs. 3055/-
	31.07.21	Intt	1005		11010	
	30.08.21	cash deposit		1011	9999	
	Status analys	is of A/C as on	24.07.2021	as per the	prescribed	Remarks on above illustration

continuously in excess of the sanctioned limit/drawing power for AC is overdrawn for 24 days only(since 30.06.21 to 23.07.21). So not an 90 days, The outstanding balance in the CC/OD account is less than the No case of NIL CTO

The outstanding balance in the CC/OD account remains

Conditions of "Out Of Order"

sanctioned limit/drawing power but there are no credits AC is having Credit Turnover of Rs.1000/- during "Previous 90 days"

Out of Order

(since 25.04.21 to 23.07.21) So not an Out of Order A/C

continuously for 90 days The outstanding balance in the CC/OD account is less than the Intt debited during previous 90 days (since 25.04.21 to 23.07.21) is Rs. conctioned limit/drawing newer but credits are not enough to 2055/ whereas renayment during the same period is Ds 1000/ Honce

Relevance of the Principle of 'First In First Out' (FIFa) in appropriation of payments into the borrowal account:

- The Principle of FIFO i.e., 'First In, First Out' accounting method is relevant to arrive at the No. of days of overdue for determining the SMA I NPA status. The FIFO principle assumes that, the oldest outstanding dues in the loan account needs to be cleared first .The FIFO method thus requires that what is due first must be paid by the borrower first.
- For example; if in any loan account as on 01.02.2021 there are no overdues and an amount of Rs. X is due for payment towards principal instalment/interest/charges, any payment being credited on or after 01.02.2021 in the loan account will be used to payoff the dues outstanding on 01.02.2021 Assuming that nothing is paid lor there is partial payment (Rs Y) of dues during the month of February, the overdue as on 01.03.2021 will be Rs .X-Y.
- Additionally, an amount of Rs.Z becomes due as on 01.03.2021, Now any payment Ipartial payment into the account on or after 01.03.2021 will be first utilized to payoff the partial due of 01.02.2021 (Rs X Rs.Y) If there is more recovery than the Rs X Rs Y. then. after recovering dues of 01.02.2021, the remaining amount will be treated as recovery towards due of 01.03.2021.

Credit Card Accounts/Post-shipment Supplier's Credit

Credit Card Accounts

- In credit card accounts, the amount spent is billed to the card users through a monthly statement with a definite due date for repayment. Banks give an option to the card users to pay either the full amount or a fraction of it, i.e., minimum amount due, on the due date and roll-over the balance amount to the subsequent months' billing cycle.
- A credit card account will be treated as non-performing asset if the minimum amount due, as mentioned in the statement, is not paid fully within 90 days from the payment due date mentioned in the statement.
- Banks shall report a credit card account as 'past due' to credit information companies (CICs) or levy penal charges, viz. late payment charges, etc., if any, only when a credit card account remains 'past due' for more than three days. The number of 'days past due' and late payment charges shall, however, be computed from the payment due date mentioned in the credit card statement.

Post-shipment Supplier's Credit

- In respect of post-shipment credit extended by the banks covering export of goods to countries for which the Export Credit Guarantee Corporation's (ECGC) cover is available, EXIM Bank has introduced a guarantee-cumrefinance programme whereby, in the event of default, EXIM Bank will pay the guaranteed amount to the bank within a period of 30 days from the day the bank invokes the guarantee after the exporter has filed claim with ECGC.
- Accordingly, to the extent payment has been received from the EXIM Bank, the advance may not be treated as a non performing asset for asset classification and provisioning purposes.

ASSET CLASSIFICATION

Asset Classification to be borrower-wise and not facility-wise

- It is difficult to envisage a situation when only one facility to a borrower/one investment in any of the securities issued by the borrower becomes a problem credit/investment and not others. Therefore, all the facilities granted by a bank to a borrower and investment in all the securities issued by the borrower will have to be treated as NPA/NPI and not the particular facility/investment or part thereof which has become irregular.
- If the debits arising out of devolvement of letters of credit or invoked guarantees are parked in a separate account, the balance outstanding in that account also should be treated as a part of the borrower's principal operating account for the purpose of application of prudential norms on income recognition, asset classification and provisioning.
- The bills discounted under LC favouring a borrower may not be classified as a Non-performing assets (NPA), when any other
 facility granted to the borrower is classified as NPA. However, in case documents under LC are not accepted on presentation or
 the payment under the LC is not made on the due date by the LC issuing bank for any reason and the borrower does not
 immediately make good the amount disbursed as a result of discounting of concerned bills, the outstanding bills discounted
 will immediately be classified as NPA with effect from the date when the other facilities had been classified as NPA.

Upgradation of loan accounts classified as NPAs

loan accounts classified as NPAs may be upgraded as 'standard' asset only if entire arrears of interest and principal are paid by the borrower. With regard to upgradation of accounts classified as NPA due to restructuring, non-achievement of date of commencement of commercial operations (DCCO), etc., the instructions as specified for such cases shall continue to be applicable.



Our Vision

To restrict NPA slippage within 2% of base Standard Advance

Our Mission

To Maintain Asset Quality

