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Reserve Bank of India imposes monetary penalty on The Attur Town Co-operative Bank Ltd., Attur, Salem District, Tamil Nadu

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has imposed, by an order dated January 02, 2023, a monetary penalty of ₹1.00 lakh (Rupees One lakh only) on The Attur Town Co-operative Bank Ltd., Attur, Salem District, Tamil Nadu (the bank) for non-adherence/violation of directions issued in the matter of Board of Directors – UCBs. This penalty has been imposed in exercise of powers vested in RBI under the provisions of Section 47 A (1) (c) read with Section 46 (4) (i) and Section 56 of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949 (AACS), taking into account the failure of the bank to adhere to the aforesaid directions issued by RBI.

This action is based on deficiencies in regulatory compliance and is not intended to pronounce upon the validity of any transaction or agreement entered into by the bank with its customers.

Background

The inspection report of the bank based on its financial position as on March 31,2021, revealed, inter alia, that the bank had sanctioned jewel loans to Directors during the year 2018 to 2020 in violation of extant instructions. Based on the same, a Notice was issued to the bank advising it to show cause as to why penalty should not be imposed for noncompliance with the directions.

After considering the bank's reply and oral submissions during the personal hearing, RBI came to the conclusion that the aforesaid charge of non-compliance with RBI directions was substantiated and warranted imposition of monetary penalty.

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