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Subject: Minutes of the second meeting of the Technical Committee on eScroll.

A meeting was convened on technical aspects of the eScroll system on 16th September, 2010 at 02.00pm under the Chairpersonship of Smt. Amita Gupta, Sr. Technical Director (NIC). The following officers were present:-

OFFICIALS FROM CPAO

1. Mr. Davinder Kumar (Technical Director), NIC

OFFICIALS FROM BANKS

1. Sh. B.P. Sahoo, AGM, SBI
2. Sh. R. Muralidharan, Managet(IT), SBI
3. Mr. Rakesh Nema, Sr. Manager(IT), BOB
4. Mr. Debraj Saha (Sr. Manager), Axis Bank
5. Mr. Dakshesh Barbhaya (Manager), Axis Bank

OFFICIALS FROM RBI

1. Mr. K. Vishal (Manager), CAS Nagpur, RBI.

1. All the banks were having reservations as regarding the recovery fields. They told that bifurcation of recovered amount in current year and previous year is very difficult. The matter remained un-decided and for the time being both the fields (i.e. current year recovery and previous year recovery) have been kept. The CCP may review the issue.
2. It was unanimously decided that there is no need of Serial No. in the data file and accordingly the field was dropped from the structure of Format-A.

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3. The bank persons asked about how to show the arrears in the text file, for e.g. say a pensioner is not paid pension for three months due to non-submission of life certificate. He submits the certificate in February, then whether the three month pension is shown as three records or it is shown in the column of arrears. It was told by CA that it should be shown as three separate records. In the arrear field only the DA arrears or some other type of arrears should only be shown.
4. A demo on software for uploading and processing of scrolls was also given. Currently there is a size limit of 20MB on the uploaded file. On the insistence of Banks it was decided to increase this limit to 30MB.
5. Since Serial No. field has been deleted so now the line no. of data file may be used to describe the errors in a data file.
6. There may be instances where in the amount mentioned in the scroll may be less than the amount claimed by the Bank from RBI. The matter is pending for decision.
7. SBI sought clarification regarding the payment of pension to AIS pensioners. It was clarified to them that Bank should book only those AIS pensioner to CPAO for which CPAO has issued authorisation letters to the banks and other AIS pensioner should be booked to the respective state governments only.
8. All the three banks were given username and passwords for accessing the upload page on the site <http://cpao.nic.in>.
9. RBI representative was having reservations about the flow of transaction strings from Banks –CPAO – RBI. With the intervention of CA it was decided that.
 - Upon receipt of scroll from Bank, CPAO will send the transaction strings to RBI, for payment of amount for which the Scroll has been received from the Bank (on T+1 basis).

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- RBI will process the string and credit the Bank with the amount as mentioned in the string.
- CPAO will then process the scroll and generate a report of discrepant items. This report will be sent to the concerned bank, asking them to provide the co-lateral evidence for the discrepant items.
- Upon receipt of the co-lateral evidence, CPAO will generate a reversal scroll (if all the items are not resolved) and send the transaction string to RBI for the reversal of amount as mentioned in reversal scroll. (Time lines for this yet to be decided).
- RBI will process the string and debit the Bank with the amount as mentioned in the string.

10. Nitty-gritty of RBI-CPAO interface are to be decided after receipt of format communication from RBI.

- RBI will provide the format of string and procedure & media for its transmission.
- No Bank was able to provide the timelines for starting sending the format-A as text file. All of them said that they will communicate this after consultation with their higher officials.
- SBI was provided with Pre-90 data as requested by them.
- SBI also requested for providing them with master data from the database of CPAO. CCP may take a decision about it.



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