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

A meeting was convened on technical aspects of the eScroll system on 29th October, 2010 at 11.00 am under the Chairpersonship of Smt. Amita Gupta, Sr. Technical Director (NIC). The following officers were present:-

OFFICIALS FROM CPAO

1. Sh. Siddharth Sharma, CA, CPAO
1. H. Atheli (Dy.CA), CPAO
2. Mr. Davinder Kumar (Technical Director), NIC
3. Mrs. P. Sarada (Sr. PAO), CPAO

OFFICIALS FROM BANKS

1. Sh. R. Muralidharan, Managet(IT), SBI
2. Mr. Rakesh Nema, Sr. Manager(IT), BOB
3. Mr. Dakshesh Barbhaya (Manager), Axis Bank

OFFICIALS FROM RBI

1. Mr P. M. Rajagopal (AGM), DGBA Mumbai, RBI.
2. Mr. Abhijit Manjumdar(DGM), CAS Nagpur, RBI.
3. Mr. K. Vishal (Manager), CAS Nagpur, RBI.
4. Mr R Muthusuramanian (DGM), GAD GITC Belapur, RBI.

The Format-A was discussed with the banks and following changes were unanimously agreed upon.

1. The column 31 and 33 should be split up as follows
 - a. Recovery_amount_Pension
 - b. Recovery_amount_Family_Pension
 - c. Recovery_amount_Commutation
 - d. Recovery_amount_Gratuity
2. On additional column for recording transaction id may also be included.

SBI was having some apprehensions about the proposed system which were discussed with the Controller Accounts, CPAO.

RBI officers gave the format of payment string and explained it in detail to CPAO and NIC officers.

RBI also told that they expect to get the digitally signed text file containing the payment strings, before 1.30pm, so as to enable them to process it further.

There should be some method of calculating the no. of transactions committed by the bank. It was decided to introduce the transaction_id column in the eScroll format (Format-A). But how to populate this column was left to banks to decide.

SBI also raised the following issues

- 1.Format for the discrepant scroll and the method of communicating the same to SBI.
- 2.Validations for checking the correctness of the scroll
- 3.Co-lateral evidence details
- 4.Accounting of reversed transactions
- 5.Time line for complying with discrepant scroll
- 6.Discrepancy due to excess payments and its accounting

Communication on the above mentioned points will be send to the banks.

SBI asked for the softcopy of the master data of CPAO related to SBI. It was told by CA that since CPAO is not having the up-to-date data, so it is for the banks to give us the latest data, not the other way round.

Since, all the participating banks expressed their inability to bifurcate the amount of recovery for current financial year and previous financial year and since these fields are not mandatory, to begin with, it's fine with CPAO, if Banks report entire amount of Recovery under current financial year and going forward Banks should have a strategy to achieve to report bifurcated amount of recovery, in a time bound manner.

Fields, which are not mandatory, and the Banks are not in a position to submit the same due to unavailability of data at present, may start submitting with Zero/Blank values. However, going forward, Banks have to ensure that the same is incorporated in the system so as to depict a correct picture.

All the banks agreed to send the format A data for the month of Jan 2011, in early Feb 2011. They also agreed to send test data in the month of Jan 2011.



Davinder Kumar

Technical Director (NIC)