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To: All Member Banks

**15<sup>th</sup> Advisory - Regarding functioning of Bank Branches in the State of Kerala during the Lockdown period**

Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, vide their Order Ref.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dt.01.05.2020, has issued New Guidelines for containment of COVID-19 for the extended period of lockdown of two weeks from 4<sup>th</sup> May 2020.

Vide 9<sup>th</sup> Advisory of SLBC Kerala dt.18.04.2020, we had advised that Branches situated in Red Category Districts shall have Business Hours from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm till 03.05.2020 and normal functioning for Branches in other Districts.

In view of the revised guidelines of the Government and in consultation with Govt: of Kerala, Reserve Bank of India and all other stake holders, the following Advisory is issued:

- 1) All the Banks in the State of Kerala shall have Normal Working/Business Hours irrespective of the category of the District in which they are situated, from 04.05.2020 onwards.
- 2) In case the Chairman, District Disaster Management Authority (District Collector) orders for complete closure including Banks in any specific "**Containment Zones**", the Branches operating in such specific Containment Zones shall remain closed.
- 3) Since the Containment Zone identification is dynamic, in case the Government/District Administration modifies/alters the instructions with regard to the Containment Zones, Branches may function as advised in point No. 1 or 2 above, as the case may be.

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