

Report on trend and progress of banking in India

The Reserve Bank of India released the Report on Trend and Progress of Banking in India 2021-22, a statutory publication in compliance with Section 36 (2) of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949. This Report presents the performance of the banking sector, including co-operative banks and non-banking financial institutions, during 2021-22 and 2022-23 so far.

Highlights of the report

The consolidated balance sheet of scheduled commercial banks (SCBs) registered double digit growth in 2021-22, after a gap of seven years, led by credit growth, which accelerated to a ten-year high in H1:2022-23.

The capital to risk weighted assets ratio (CRAR) of SCBs strengthened from 16.3 per cent at end-March 2021 to 16.8 per cent at end-March 2022, with all banks meeting the regulatory minimum capital requirement of 11.5 per cent as also the common equity tier-1 (CET-1) ratio requirement of 8 per cent.

The gross non-performing assets (GNPA) ratio of SCBs has been declining sequentially from its peak in 2017-18 to reach 5.8 per cent at end-March 2022, led by lower slippages as well as reduction in outstanding GNPAs.

An acceleration in income and contraction in expenditure boosted the profitability of SCBs in 2021-22, measured in terms of return on equity and return on assets.

The financial performance of urban co-operative banks (UCBs) showed improvement in 2021-22, characterised by augmented capital buffers, a decline in GNPA ratio and improved profitability indicators.

The NBFC sector maintained comfortable liquidity buffers, adequate provisioning, and a strong capital position during 2021-22, while asset quality improved.

Source: RBI

MCQ for Practice

Q1. Under which act Report on trend and progress of banking in India is a statutory publication?

- (a) Banking Regulation Act, 1949
- (b) RBI Act 1934
- (c) Payment and settlements systems 2007
- (d) a and b
- (e) a, b and c

Ans.(a)

Q2. What is the capital to risk weighted assets ratio (CRAR) of SCBs?

- (a) 16.2
- (b) 16.4
- (c) 16.5
- (d) 16.6
- (e) 16.8

Ans.(e)

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