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## **RBI imposes monetary penalty on Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Urban Cooperative Bank Ltd., Amravati, Maharashtra**

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has, by an order dated April 2, 2026, imposed a monetary penalty of ₹1.09 lakh (Rupees One Lakh Nine Thousand only) on Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Urban Cooperative Bank Ltd., Amravati, Maharashtra (the bank), for non-compliance with certain directions issued by RBI on 'Classification, Valuation and Operation of Investment Portfolio of Primary (Urban) Co-operative Banks', 'Exposure Norms and Statutory / Other Restrictions – UCBs' and 'National Electronic Funds Transfer (NEFT) System - Rationalisation of customer charges'. This penalty has been imposed in exercise of powers conferred on RBI under the provisions of Section 47A(1)(c) read with Sections 46(4)(i) and 56 of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949, and Section 30(1) read with section 26(6) of the Payment and Settlement Systems Act, 2007.

The statutory inspection of the bank was conducted by the RBI with reference to its financial position as on March 31, 2025. Based on supervisory findings of non-compliance with RBI directions and related correspondence in that regard, a notice was issued to the bank advising it to show cause as to why penalty should not be imposed on it for its failure to comply with the said directions. After considering the bank's reply to the notice, additional submissions made by it and oral submissions made during the personal hearing, RBI found, *inter alia*, that the following charges against the bank were sustained, warranting imposition of monetary penalty:

The bank had:

- i. breached prudential single counterparty exposure limit for non-SLR investments on certain occasions; and
- ii. levied charges higher than prescribed regulatory ceiling on certain NEFT transactions.

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. Further, imposition of this monetary penalty is without prejudice to any other action that may be initiated by RBI against the bank.