WORK PLAN / METHODOLOGY

The current study contemplates an exploratory research.

a. Description of Area of Study

Presently, there are total 80 Scheduled Commercial Banks operating in our Country, as included in II Schedule of Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Act, 1934. These Banks are grouped by the RBI as under:

State Bank of India(SBI) : 1
SBI Associates : 5
SBI Group : 6
Nationalised Banks : 19
Other Public Sector Bank : 1
Public Sector Banks : 26
Old Private Sector Banks : 14
New Private Sector Banks : 7
Private Sector Banks : 21
Foreign Banks : 33
Scheduled Commercial Banks : 80

(Source: A Profile of Banks 2010-11; RBI Publications)

The study is proposed to be conducted on all the 26 Public and 21 Private Sector Banks mentioned above. 33 Foreign Banks are excluded from the study, as majority of their operational parameters / conditions are in variance with other Indian Commercial Banks.

The period of study is proposed to be in two phases: One for the period 1991-92 to 1997-98 (Narasimhan Committee–I) and second for the period 1998-99 onwards (Narasimhan Committee–II) till date (2010–11)
b. Selection of Banks
The present study would evaluate the performance of all the 26 Public and 21 Private Sector Banks operating in our Country.

c. Sampling Technique
i. Sampling Unit – The Researcher proposes to conduct the study on Scheduled Commercial Banks, Group wise i.e. all Public Sector Banks and all Private Sector Banks, excluding Foreign Banks.

ii. Sample size – The proposed sample size for the study will be all the 26 Public and 21 Private Sector Banks mentioned above.

iii. Sampling method – All the 26 Public and 21 Private Sector Banks among both the Bank Groups i.e. Public Sector Banks and Private Sector Banks would be taken up for study.

d. Data Collection & Analysis
The current study shall evaluate the performance of all the 26 Public and 21 Private Sector Banks separately, which would include the following:

- Size of the Bank/Operations,
- Efficiency indicators such as Business per Branch, Operating expenses per Branch, Profit per Branch, Business per Employee, Establishment Expenses per Employee and Profit per Employee.
- Profitability indicators like Return on Assets, Return on Equity, Net Interest Margin (Spread) as a percentage to Working Funds, Non Interest Income as a percentage to Total Income and
- CD ratio.
- Capital to Risk weighted Asset ratio
- Non - performing Assets

e. Duration of Study
The duration of the study is between two to three years.
f. Data Source
The study relies on the secondary data published by the following:

i. Annual Reports of the Commercial Banks

ii. Publications of Reserve Bank of India
   1. Report on Trends & Progress of Banking in India (Annual)
   2. Banking Statistics
   4. R.B.I. Bulletins (Monthly)

iii. Hand Book of Statistics on Indian Economy

iv. Economic survey of Govt. of India

v. I.B.A. Bulletins (Monthly & Special Issues)

vi. Publications of Indian Institute of Banking & Finance, Mumbai

vii. Publications of National Institute of Bank Management, Pune

viii. Business Dailies and Periodicals etc

The Research Methodology for the purpose of current study would be so adopted that it would reflect the realities and in reaching the logical conclusion in an objective & scientific manner.

In addition to the above, the Researcher has reviewed the following:

The Bankers - New Delhi and visited the sections of the RBI site (Speech, Archives, Publication, Statistic, Reports etc).


**Reports** - Trend and Progress in Banking (RBI), Banking Statistics (IBA), Lead Bank Report, Economic surveys, Annual Reports of select Banks, other published Reports

**Business dailies** – Economic Times, Business Standard, Business Line, etc