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All Agency Banks

Dear Sir / Madam

Annual Closing of Government Accounts – Transactions of Central / State Governments – Special Measures for the Current Financial Year (2021-22)

All government transactions done by agency banks for Financial Year 2021-22 must be accounted for within the same financial year. Accordingly, the following arrangements are put in place to report and account for Government transactions for March 31, 2022.

- 2. All agency banks should keep their designated branches open for over the counter transactions related to government transactions upto the normal working hours on March 31, 2022.
- 3. Transactions through National Electronic Funds Transfer (NEFT) and Real Time Gross Settlement (RTGS) System will continue upto 2400 hours as hitherto on March 31, 2022.
- 4. Special clearing will be conducted for collection of government cheques on March 31, 2022 for which the Department of Payment and Settlement Systems (DPSS), RBI will issue necessary instructions.
- 5. Regarding reporting of Central and State Government transactions to RBI, including uploading of GST / e-receipts luggage files, the reporting window of March 31, 2022 will be extended and kept open till 1200 hours on April 1, 2022.
- 6. Agency banks may take note and give adequate publicity to the special arrangements made as above.

Yours faithfully

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