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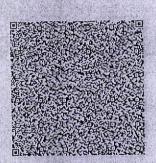
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SMALL FARMERS AGRIBUSINESS CONSORTIUM

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Agreement executed by CANARA BANK with SFAC

This Agreement is executed on this 26th (day) of August 2014 Between Canara Bank a Body corporate, constituted under the Banking Companies (Acquisition and transfer of undertaking) Act, 1970, (hereinafter called Bank), having it's Head Office at 112, J.C. Road, Bangalore-560002 represented by Mr. S. S. Bhat, Genereal Manager, PC Wing Head office Bangalore (which includes its assignees) as first party, and Small Farmers' Agribusiness Consortium (SFAC), a society registered under









Societies Registration Act 1860, having its registered office at NCUI Auditorium Building, 5th Floor, 3, Siri Institutional Area, August KrantiMarg, HauzKhas, New Delhi 110016), hereinafter called "SFAC" as second party. Whereas SFAC is a Developmental Institution with its core aims and objectives focused on supporting small & marginal farmers 'organizations; SFAC deals with agriculture in its wider connotation, including agri-allied activities; And Whereas Bank in furtherance of its desire to play an active role in promoting quality investments in the agri business sector is agreeable to provide/has provided collateral free lending toFPC(Borrower)and is desirous of seeking Guarantee Cover from SFAC under EGCGFS.

In consideration of the Credit Guarantee Fund of Small Farmers Agri Business Consortium(hereinafter referred to as "SFAC" which expression shall, unless repugnant to the context, also include its successors and assigns), agreeing to guarantee under the Equity (a copy whereof is hereto annexed and which is hereinafter referred to as "the Scheme"), certain credit facilities specified below granted by Bank toFPC(Borrower), which is an eligible borrower as per the Scheme.

Bank viz Canara Bank, dogshereby enter into Agreement with SFAC as follows:

- 1. That the provisions of this Undertaking shall be in addition to, and not in derogation of, the provisions of the Scheme and the guidelines and instructions issued by SFAC from time to time.
- 2. That the provisions of the Scheme and such modifications as may be made thereto from time to time shall be deemed to be incorporated in this Undertaking and shall be binding on Bank, in so far they relate to the credit facilities granted by Bank to FPC (Borrower).
- 3. That the provisions of the Scheme and this Agreement shall be applicable to the CreditFacility/ies for which Guarantee Cover has been sanctioned by SFAC to Bank under the Scheme.
- 4. That Bank shall claim the benefit of the Guarantee under the Scheme only in respect of the Credit Facility/ies specified herein, and to the extent provided, and that Bank shall for this purpose obtain and preserve affidavits or other documents from the FPC (Borrower) or otherwise satisfy itself by reference to the Borrowers' books of account or other records that the Borrower in respect of whom the benefit of the Guarantee has been or is to be provided by SFAC is eligible for the Guarantee under the Scheme.
- 5. That Bank agrees that if the Borrower ceases to be so eligible, it shall, in accordance with and subject to the provisions of the Scheme, be excluded from the benefit of any guarantee andthat for this purpose, Bank shall obtain from the



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Borrower at such intervals as may be required by SFAC, such information /declarations as may be deemed necessary.

- 6. That the books of accounts, ledgers and other documents relating to guaranteed CreditFacilities, covered by the Scheme shall, as far as may be practicable, be segregated and maintained in a proper manner so as to facilitate such scrutiny or inspection as may be undertaken by Small Farmers' Agri-business Consortium (SFAC) or by any other person nominated by SFAC in this behalf.
- 7. That **Bank** shall make available to the Officers of SFAC or of any agency which may be specified by SFAC in this behalf, as the case may be, all its books and recordspertaining to the arrangement and provide such other facilities as may be required for such scrutiny and inspection.
- 8. That Bank shall furnish to SFAC a statement in a form and manner required by the SFAC, showing the outstanding balances with breakup of principal and interest / other expenses details in respect of the guaranteed credit facility covered under the Scheme, as and when required by SFAC.
- 9. That Bank shall furnish to SFAC thereafter such statements or information as the SFAC mayrequire about the Credit Facility/ies in such form and manner, and at such intervals, as maybe required by SFAC.
- 10. That in order to enable SFAC to ascertain whether a Claim made on it is on account of Credit Facility which has been so covered, **Bank** shall preserve in good order the detailed statement or statements required thereof as also the relevant documents relating to the Credit Facility.
- 11. That Bank shall, in respect of the Credit Facility, exercise due diligence in recovering the dues, and safeguarding the interest of SFAC.
- 12. That for invoking the guarantee, **Bank** undertakes to submit to SFAC an Application in such form as may be specified by SFAC and furnish such other information as may be required of us by SFAC.
- 13. That Bank shall secure for the SFAC or itsappointed agency the right to inspect thebusiness and factory premises and books ofaccount of the Borrower if and when considerednecessary by SFAC.
- 14. That Bank shall secure for SFAC or its appointed agency the right to list the Defaulted Borrowersname and particulars on the website of SFAC.
- 15. That notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Scheme, if any loss occurs in respect of the Credit Facility due to actions / decisions taken contrary to or in contravention of the guidelines issued by SFAC, or if any misrepresentation or concealment of facts is found leading to undue favour to the concerned FPC



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(Borrower), Bank shall not make and shall not also be entitled to any claim on SFAC in respect of the said Credit Facility.

- 16. That all applications, documents, receipts, statements and other papers shall be signed onbehalf of Bank by the Chief Executive Officer or by other persons in its employment authorized byBank to sign all such applications, documents, receipts, statements and other papers and that any irregularity in the signature, or want of authority of the persons so signing shall not inany way affect or prejudice the rights of SFAC or affect Bank liability in respect thereof.
- 17. That all data, including applications, periodical returns, funds transfer, updated or transferred to the Trust in the electronic form, shall be deemed to be signed on behalf of Bank by the Chief Executive Officer or by other persons in our employment who shall be deemed to be authorised by Bank to sign all such applications, documents, receipts, statements and other papers and that any irregularity in the use of member-id, or want of authority of thepersons so signing shall not in any way affect or prejudice the rights of SFAC or affect Bank's liability in respect thereof.
- 18. That Bank shall introduce and follow such Accounting arrangements as may be necessaryor as may be required by SFAC or take such other steps as may be necessary or expedient for protecting its interests in respect of the outstanding balances on account of Credit Facilities in regard to which SFAC's guarantee is invoked by it.

19. Guarantee Fee

- i. Bank shall pay the Fee payable to SFAC for Guarantee Cover in respect of an eligible Credit Facility granted by Bank to each FPC (Borrower) under the Scheme as a onetime Guarantee Fee calculated @ 0.85% of the sanctioned Credit Facility, subject to a maximum of Rs. 85,000/- (Rs. Eighty Five Thousand only.)
- ii. The Fee shall be paid upfront to SFAC by Bank. The payment shall be made within 30 daysfrom date of approval of the Guarantee or such date as specified by SFAC, failing which the Guarantee is liable to become void unless and until its continuance is specifically approved by SFAC.
- iii. As on the date of payment of Guarantee Fee, Bank shall certify as per its records/knowledgethat:
- a). Any dues of the FPC(Borrower) to the lendinginstitution have not become overdue and/oris not an overdue/NPA credit facility takenover and/or /is not a Credit Facility whichhas been rescheduled or restructured onbecoming overdue
- b). The business or activity of the borrower forwhich the credit facility was granted has notceased.



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c). The credit facility has not been utilized, whollyor partly, for adjustment of any debts deemedbad or doubtful of recovery.

20. Annual Service Fee

- i. In addition to onetime Guarantee Fee, an Annual Service Fee of 0.25 % per annum or such other rate or limit as may be decided from time to time per loan account shall be paid byBank to keep the Guarantee of SFAC live.
- ii. The decision of passing on the incidence of Guarantee Fee and Annual Service Fee to the Borrower is left to the discretion of Bank.
- iii. The Annual Service Fee should be paid by the 31st of May each year. The fee for the last year of the tenure of the Guarantee Cover shall be paid on pro rata basis for the period till the date of expiry of guarantee.
- iv. In the event of non-payment of Annual Service Fee by the due date, the Guarantee under the Scheme shall not be available to Bank unless SFAC agrees for continuance of Guarantee and Bank pays penal interest on the Annual Service Fee due at a rate of 1% above the rate charged by the Bank on the Credit Facility, or at such rate as is specified by SFAC from time to time, for the period of delay. The Guarantee shall stand restored on receiptof such payment and shall be deemed to have been in continuance without break.
- v. Provided further that in the event of nonpayment of Annual Service Fee within the stipulated time or such extended time as may be requested by Bank and allowed on such terms that may be agreed to by SFAC, liability of SFAC to guarantee such credit facility shall lapse in respect of credit facility against which the Annual Service Fee is due and not paid,
- vi. Provided further that, SFAC may consider renewal of Guarantee Cover for such credit facility, the Cover for which has ceased, upon such terms and conditions as SFAC may decide.
- vii. In the event of any error or discrepancy being found in the computation of the amounts or inthe calculation of the Guarantee Fee / Annual Service Fee, or any shortfall in payment by Bank, if subsequently identified, such deficiency/ shortfall shall be paid by Bank to SFAC.
- viii. Any amount found to have been paid in excess by the Bank to SFAC shall be refunded by SFAC. In the event of any representation made by the lending institution in this regard, SFAC shall take a decision based on the available information with it and the clarifications received from the lending institution, and its decision shall be final and binding on the lending institution.

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ix. The Guarantee Fee and / or Annual Service Fee once paid by the lending institution to SFAC are non-refundable.

21. Responsibilities of Bank

Bank shall:

- i. Certify that the Credit Facility has beensanctioned without any Collateral.
- ii. Enclose Appraisal Note with the Application for Guarantee Cover.
- iii. Carry out processing, legal work anddocumentation for sanction of the loan in accordance with the requirements of the Bankand the terms & conditions of SFAC.
- iv. Furnish such Statements and Information, documents, receipts, certificates as SFAC mayrequire in connection with credit facility.
- v. Certify that /be deemed to have affirmed that thecontents of such documents, receipts, certificatesand other written Documents are true, providedthat no claim shall be rejected and no liabilityshall attach to the lending institution or anyofficer thereof for anything done in good faith.
- vi. Monitor the borrower account and maintainrecords of periodical monitoring and actions initiated on observations, if any.
- i. Safeguard the Primary Securities taken over by it, if any, from the Borrower.
- ii. Bank shall be bound to comply with such directionsas SFAC may deem fit to issue from time to time, forfacilitating recoveries of the guaranteed account, or safeguarding its interest as a guarantor.
- iii. Bank shall, in particular, refrain from any acteither before or subsequent to invocation ofguarantee, which may adversely affect theinterest of SFAC as the guarantor.
- iv. Bank shall intimate in advance to SFAC itsintention to enter into any compromise orarrangement, which may have effect of discharge or waiver of primary security.
- v. Bank shall also ensure through an Agreement withthe Borrower that the borrower shall not createany charge on the assets held as primary security for the credit facilities covered by the Guaranteewith itself, or in favour of any other creditor(s) without seeking prior permission of SFAC.

22. Invocation of Guarantee

Bank shall invoke the Guarantee in respect of CreditFacility within a maximum period of one year fromdate of NPA, if the following conditions are satisfied:



- i. The Claim must be forwarded to the SFAC/Fundthrough the Zonal Office / authorised office/person of Bank as communicated to SFAC
- ii. Guarantee in respect of the Credit Facility is in force at the time of account turning NPA.
- iii. Dues have been classified by Bank as Non-Performing Assets
- iv. Provided that SFAC reserves the right to refusethe Claim, if the loss in respect of the said CreditFacility in its opinion had occurred owing toGuidelines not having been strictly followedbyBank/ or if any misrepresentation orconcealment of facts is found leading to unduefavour to the concerned FPC(Borrower).
- v. The Guarantee shall be effective
- a). If SFAC and Bank are convinced that the FPC has suffered genuine business losses, which may include crop/ asset losses by the members, and the gravity and impact of such losses is assessed jointly or by independent assessment or by the Bank asmay be mutually agreed between SFAC and Bank on a case by case basis and the FPC (Borrower) is not in a position to repay dues under any circumstances including restructuring/rephrasing/rescheduling the loan.
- b). for such amounts as may be written off or interest waived from the credit facility by the Bank with intimation to SFAC as a result of the business failure of the FPC(Borrower).
- c). In all other cases
 - Only when proceedings for recovery havebeen initiated by Bank.
 - > The responsibility of recovery of the dues shallrest with Bank.

23. Claim Settlement

- i. Only such Claim as is preferred by **Bank** on theDefaulted account, which has become NPA, within a maximum period of one year from date of NPA or as specified by SFAC from time to time, shall be considered.
- ii. Fund shall honour 75 per cent of the GuaranteedAmount in Default subject to maximum of 75per cent of the guaranteed cap amount, onpreferring of claim by Bank where appropriateaction for recovery has been initiated.

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- iii. Balance 25 per cent of the defaults or guaranteedcap amount, as the case may be, shall be paidon conclusion of recovery proceedings by the Bank.
- iv. Subject to the Claim being otherwise found inorder and complete in all respects, SFAC shallpay the Bank eligible claim within 90 days.
- v. The outstanding dues of the FPC (Borrower) to Bank shallbe reduced to the extent of the Amount of Claim settled by SFAC.
- vi. Bank shall continue to make efforts to realize the balance amount due even after settlement of Guarantee.
- vii. SFAC reserves right to claim from Bank anyamount that is realized by Bank from the FPC (Borrower) even after settlement of guarantee amount:
- viii. Any amount realized by the Bank from FPC(Borrower) shall be shared in the ratio of 85%:15%between SFAC &Bank. Such payment may bemade as and when any such amount is realized subject to the relaxation that any paymentsbelow the sum of Rs.1 Lakh to SFAC may bemade on a quarterly basis on or before the lastday of the quarter.
- ix. Once the Claim is paid, SFAC shall be deemedto have been discharged from all its liabilitieson account of the Guarantee in force in respectof the Credit Facility.
- x. Bank shall be liable to refund the Claim releasedby SFAC together with the penal interest at aRate of 1%above the Rate of interest at which the CreditFacility has been sanctioned by Bank to FPC(Borrower) for the period for which the Claim has been released, if the Guarantee Amount is recalled by SFAC for any reason whatsoever.
- xi. Erroneous duplicate payment of claim by SFACshall not be construed as recall. However, anyduplicate claim by Bank and the settlement here against by SFAC shall be recalled and SFACreserves the right to recall the entire payment released to Bank against the Credit Facility.

24. Subrogation of Rights and Recoveries OnAccount of Claims Paid

- i. Details of efforts for recovery, realization and suchother information as may be demanded by SFACfrom time to time shall be furnished by Bank.
- ii. On its own behalf and on behalf of SFAC, Bankshall hold lien on assets created out of the CreditFacility extended by the LI to the Borrower.
- iii. The responsibility for the recovery of duesincluding takeover of assets, sale of assets, etc., shall rest with Bank;



iv. Payments made by Borrower towards any oneor more of several distinct and separate debtsowed by it to Bank, shall be deemed to havebeen appropriated by Bank to the debt coveredby the Guarantee and in respect of which aClaim has been preferred and paid, irrespective of the manner of appropriation indicated by Borrower or the manner in which suchpayments are actually appropriated.

25. Residual Recovery

SFAC shall have the first claim to Appropriation of the Amount realized by Bank before making the final settlement of the Claim in the ratio of 85:15.

26. Termination of SFAC's Liability in Certain Cases

- i. The Guarantee in respect of the Credit Facility extended by Bank to FPC(Borrower) shall be deemed to be terminated, if the liabilities of FPC(Borrower) to Bank on account of said guaranteed Credit Facility are transferred or assigned to any other borrower without the consent of SFAC which shall be sought by Bank or Borrower in writing stating the reasons for the transfer/assignment and if the conditions as to the eligibility of the borrower and the amount of the facility and any other terms and conditions, if any, subject to which the credit facility can be guaranteed under the Scheme are not satisfied after the saidtransfer or assignment, from the date of the saidtransfer or assignment.
- ii. The liability of SFAC in respect of the Credit Facilitygranted to FPC (Borrower) by Bank shall be limited to the liability of FPC (Borrower) to Bank ason the date on which the Borrower becomesineligible for being granted any Credit Facilities under the Scheme, by reason of cessation of hisactivity or his activity or his undertaking ceasing to come within the definition of a FPC(Borrower) unit, subject, however, to the limits on the liability of SFAC fixed under this Scheme.

27. Other Conditions

- i. Bank shall be deemed to have understoodand accepted the terms & conditions of the Scheme as being legally binding onitself.
- ii. Bank shall ensure that the conditions of guaranteed Credit Facility are not in conflictwith the provisions of the Scheme.
- iii. Notwithstanding any provision in any otherdocument or contract entered into by Bankwith regard to Guaranteed Credit Facility, the Provisions / Conditions of the Scheme shalloverride all such other provisions as if this conditionality had been written in the relevant Document / contract and Bank shall in relation to SFAC be bound by the conditions.

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iv. The 1 & CS Committee reserves the right toreject any proposal where it is of the view that Guidelines have not been strictly adhered to/or if any misrepresentation or concealment offacts is found leading to undue favour to the concerned FPC.

28. Modifications and Exemptions

- i. SFAC reserves the right to modify, cancel or replace the Scheme in any manner whatsoeverthat it deems necessary, however so ensuringthat the rights or obligations arising out of, oraccruing under the Guarantee issued to Bankup to the date on which such modification, cancellation or replacement comes into effect, shall not be affected.
- ii. Not withstanding anything contained herein, SFAC shall have the right to alter the Termsand Conditions of the Scheme in regard to the Credit Facility Guaranteed to Bank in respect of which Guarantee has not been invoked as on the date of such alteration.
- iii. In the event of the Scheme being cancelled, noClaim shall lie against SFAC in respect of CreditGuarantee
- iv. If, the modifications/alterations effected by SFAC are not acceptable to the Bank, The MoU stand terminated by giving 30 days notice to SFAC by the Bank

29. Interpretation

The decision of SFAC shall be final in regard to the interpretation of any of the provisions of the Scheme or of any directions or instructions or clarifications given in connection therewith.

30. Supplementary and General Provisions

SFAC may make such supplementary or additional provisions or issue such instructions or clarifications as may be necessary for the purpose of the Schemein respect of any matter not specifically provided forin this Scheme. Bank shall comply with the same

31. Arbitration

- i. Disputes, if any, arising out of the Agreementshall be resolved through mutual consultation,
- ii. Failing which Arbitration by a sole Arbitratorchosen by Bank and SFAC in accordance withthe provisions of the Arbitration and ConciliationAct, 1996 shall be resorted to.



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- iii. The venue of the Arbitration shall be New Delhi.
- 32. That this Agreement shall take effect from the First day of September 2014.
- 33. That the Stamp Duty payable on this Agreement shall be borne by Bank.

For and on behalf of CANARA BANK

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Date: ____

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