MICRO FINANCE SECTOR'S FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE AS AT SEPTEMBER 2016

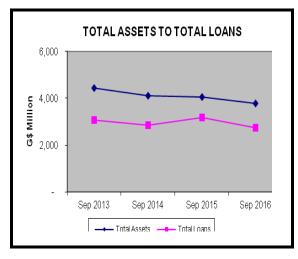
The Micro Finance Sector's Financial Performance Report reflects the data reported as at September 2016 by the two Micro Finance Institutions (MFIs) - Institute of Private Enterprise Development (IPED) and Small Business Development Trust (SBDT). The performance and condition of these institutions are monitored and assessed by the Bank of Guyana.

ASSETS

Total Assets

Total assets held by the two MFIs - IPED & SBDT - amounted to G\$3,790 million as at end-September 2016, a 6.2 percent (G\$251 million) contraction from the corresponding period last year compared with 1.5 percent (G\$62 million) decline at end-September 2015.

Figure I



Loans

Loans, which represented the largest asset category, accounted for 67.6 percent of the sector's total assets at end-September 2016. The MFIs reported aggregate loans of G\$2,563 million, a 6.2 percent (G\$171 million) decline when compared with the corresponding period last year. The portfolios of the institutions consisted mainly of micro credit and loans to Smalland Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs), which together accounted for 98.6 percent of total loans.

Loans to the SMEs totaled G\$2,213 million, and accounted for 86.4 percent of the sector's aggregate loan portfolio albeit registering a 9.1 percent (G\$221 million) decline for the same period last year. Loans to the SMEs accounted for 89.1 percent and 87.3 percent of total loans as at end-September 2015 and end-September 2014 respectively.

Micro credit, the second largest loan category expanded by 12.6 percent (G\$35 million) to G\$314 million and accounted for

12.3 percent of total loans during the review period.

Table I

MICRO CREDIT INSTITUTIONS						
SUMMARY BALANCE SHEET						
G\$ Million						
	Sep	Sep	Sep			
	2014	2015	2016			
Total Assets	4,104	4,041	3,790			
Cash & due from Financial	195	584	558			
Institutions	195	564	558			
Total Loans	3,180	2,733	2,563			
Micro Credit	385	279	314			
SME's	2,777	2,434	2,213			
Other	36	40	60			
Provisioning	(18)	(20)	(24)			
Other Assets	729	724	669			
Total Liabilities	1,041	796	397			
Borrowings	799	505	209			
Bal. due to other Financial	0	0	0			
Institutions	0	0	0			
Other Liabilities	242	291	188			
Capital & Reserves	3,063	3,245	3,393			
Capital Fund/Contributions	106	105	106			
Retained Earnings	2,746	2,987	3,217			
Undistributed Profits	211	153	70			
Reserves	0	0	0			

During the review period, the total number of loans granted stood at 3,306 compared with 3,108 for the corresponding period last year. The increase in the number of loans disbursed resulted in an expansion of jobs by 3,113 to 9,233 at end September 2016. The share of loans to men and women were 62.3 percent and 37.7 percent respectively, while there were no loans disbursed to couples.

	CATEGORY OF LOANS					
G\$ Million	3,000 2,500 1,500 1,500 500 500 500 500 500 500 500 500 500					

Figure II

LIABILITIES

Total liabilities of the micro finance sector declined by 50.1 percent and amounted to G\$399 million as at end-September 2016. Borrowings from local financial institutions amounted to G\$209 million as at end-September 2016 and accounted for 52.7 percent of total liabilities when compared to 63.5 percent and 76.7 percent as at end-September 2015 and end-September 2014 respectively.

CAPITAL AND RESERVES

Capital and reserves amounted to G\$3,393 million at end-September 2016. Retained earnings grew by 7.7 percent while undistributed profits contracted by 53.8 percent respectively when compared with the corresponding period last year.

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Figure III

EARNINGS

The micro finance sector's major source of funding was that of interest income which decreased by 17.1 percent to G\$361 million and accounted for 83.1 percent of total operating income as at end-September 2016. Other income totaled G\$73 million and represented 16.9 percent of operating income as at end-September 2016.

Interest expense and other expenses which amounted to G\$7 million and G\$357 million respectively, represented 1.8 percent and 98.2 percent of total operating expenses.

Net income of the sector decreased by 53.8 percent to G\$70 million as at end-September 2016.

Table II

MICRO CREDIT INSTITUTIONS						
STATEMENT OF INCOME G\$ Million						
	2014	2015	2016			
Operating Income	553	533	434			
Interest Income	450	435	361			
Other Income	103	98	73			
Operating Expenses	342	381	364			
Interest Expense	26	22	7			
Other Expenses	316	359	357			
Net Income	211	152	70			
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