

## **STAND UP INDIA- Scheme for Financing SC/ST & Women Entrepreneurs**

Stand-Up India scheme has been launched by the H'ble Prime Minister on April 5, 2016.

**Objective** of the Stand-Up India Scheme is to facilitate bank loans between Rs. 10 lakh to Rs. 100 lakh to at least one Scheduled Caste (SC) or scheduled Tribe (ST) borrower and at least one Woman borrower per bank branch of all scheduled commercial banks for setting up a Greenfield enterprise.

This enterprise may be in manufacturing, services or the trading sector. In case of non-individual enterprises at least 51% of the shareholding and controlling stake should be held by either an SC/ST or Woman entrepreneur.

### **Purpose of Loan**

- (1) For setting up a new enterprise in manufacturing, trading or services sector by SC/ST/Women entrepreneur.
  
- (2) Loans for enterprises in “**Activities allied to agriculture**” e.g. pisciculture, beekeeping, poultry, livestock, rearing, grading, sorting, aggregation agro industries, dairy, fishery, agriclinic and agribusiness centres, food & agroprocessing, etc. (excluding crop loans, land improvement such as canals, irrigation, wells) and services supporting these, shall be eligible for coverage under the Scheme

### **Security**

Besides primary security, the loan may be secured by collateral security or any Credit Guarantee Scheme i.e CGTMSE/CGSSI.

### **Margin**

The extent of margin money to be brought by the borrower is reduced from “**upto 25%**” to “**upto 15%**” of the project cost. However, the borrower will continue to contribute at least 10% of the project cost as own contribution.