

Nationalisation - Bank's Catalytic Role

1961	Industrial Finance Department was set up to encourage advances to Small Industries and Entrepreneurs in keeping with the policy of assisting the common man.
1968	Bank's commitment to the philosophy of social lending since inception provided the spark for introduction of social control measures in the country . 32% of the Bank's branches were in rural areas as against 22% for the entire Banking system.
1969	Bank was nationalised on 19th July 1969. Bank was acknowledged as a live example of mass banking and as a powerful catalyst of social change. Nationalisation therefore merely meant change of ownership.
1995	Established Hi Tech Agriculture Branches