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 ownerhsip.
- 1995 Established Hi Tech Agriculture Branches