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From the MD & CEO's desk

Dear NPCI User Community,

The community of NPCI user banks is growing. There are now 200+ user banks of NFS, 200+ banks as RuPay card issuers, 190+ banks for APBS & ACH and 400+ banks for CTS. Our approach on Indirect / sub-membership route is helping all banks to be part of the national network of banks for payment services.

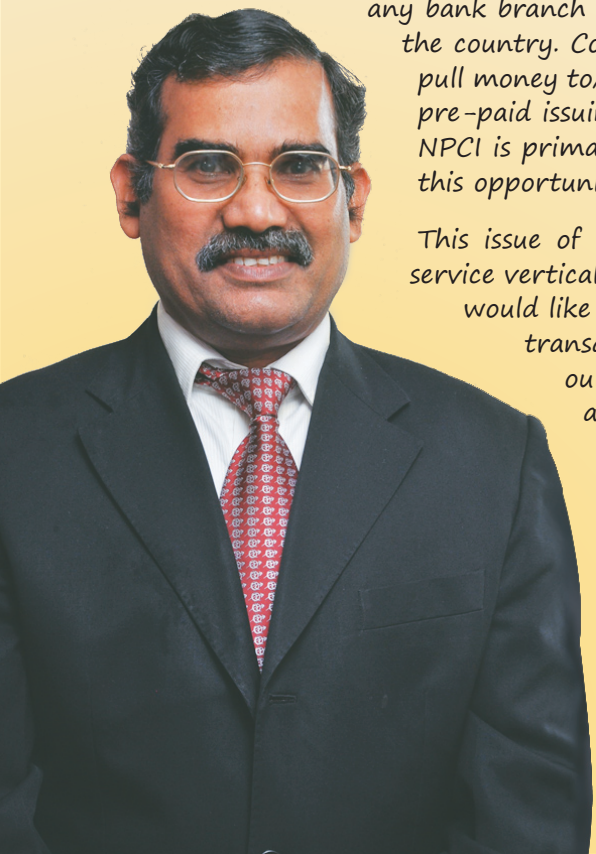
Our goal is that all bank branches in the country (Commercial and Co-operative including the District Central Co-op Banks) will get interconnected and customers of any bank branch would be able to remit funds to any other customer anywhere in the country. Corporates and Govt. Institutions should be in a position to push or pull money to/from any bank branch. We have already connected four non-bank pre-paid issuing institutions as well. Our target is to connect all and leave none. NPCI is primarily an infrastructure service company and we are proud to have this opportunity to contribute.

This issue of NPCI e-Newsletter covers a number of developments in all our service verticals - NFS, CTS, ACH, IMPS, RuPay, APBS and eKYC. The one that I would like to highlight is the peak volume processing of more than 10 million transactions on NFS on 31st October 2013. This proves the resiliency of our system. We have capacity for processing 20 million+ transactions a day and the system is easily upgradable up to 40 million.

The growth of retail payment transactions in India has been so rapid during last three years that we will have to keep upgrading the system every two years. May I assure the User Community that NPCI is fully committed to provide best in class service.

For the festival of lights, I wish you and your family a Happy Diwali.

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Aadhaar makes person to person money transfer easier



NPCI has joined hands with UIDAI to launch "Aadhaar based Remittance Service (ABRS)." This unique service was launched by Shri Nandan Nilekani, Chairman, UIDAI, on Oct 09 at Mumbai in the presence of senior management of various banks. It will leverage on real time payment platform and facilitate money transfer from one Aadhaar number to another or from Aadhaar number to accounts and vice-versa. With this service, transferring money from Aadhaar number to mobile

number of the beneficiary customer will become possible. To facilitate this process, another service called "Query Service on Aadhaar Mapper (QSAM)" is being launched whereby a customer will be able to raise a query on status of his Aadhaar number seeded at the bank level and mapped on the Aadhaar mark at NPCI.

EMV summit organized jointly by NPCI and Discover Financial

The much-awaited EMV issuance under RuPay card is well appreciated by bankers and vendors in a first of its kind summit organized by NPC and Discover Financial Services (DFS). The duo has successfully reached out to most bankers in the Summit, in where more than 200 people had come and learnt about the strength and uniqueness of EMV issuance under RuPay banner. An array of banks has already started the process of EMV certification and will soon be enabled for issuing RuPay chip cards. The EMV chip cards, as compared to magnetic stripe cards provide more security, prevent fraud and have much more additional features.



Workshop on Leveraging Payment Systems for Coop Banks in Gujarat



NPCI team participated in a workshop organized by NABARD on 'Leveraging of Payment Systems by Co-operative Banks' on 28th October, 2013 at Ahmedabad and shared few initiatives on how to make retail payment systems efficient in India. The workshop was attended by various members of Apex Bank & DCCBs. Mr Mudgal, CGM NABARD RO Gujarat and Mr Nayak, CEO Raigarh DCCB also attended the workshop.

NFS repeats history, creates record 240 million approved transactions

National Financial Switch has crossed 240 million approved transactions volume for the first time since inception. Last month was the 8th month in succession that NFS has crossed the 200 million repeatedly. The flagship product of NPCI has also crossed 270 million total volumes. The number of member has also gone up to 220 and VAS volumes jumped to 8 million approved transactions. The count of White Label ATMs deployed under NFS has gone up to 350. However, the month also saw an RFP rolled out that proposed to provide to cover for fraudulent transactions on NFS network.



NACH Debit launched Mandate Validation Service (MVS)

On NACH Debit, Mandate Validation Service (MVS) has been launched on October 7, 2013. This service has been co-created with banks that allow debit transactions to be validated against the mandates stored at NPCI. MVS will do validation of key mandate information and ensure reduction in returns. Multiple Corporates from mixed Industry segments -Telecom, B2B, Loan Payments, Retail Asset Units, Mutual Fund Companies, Insurance companies would want to associate with us now registering.

NACH Credit crosses 1 million transactions mark

NACH Credit is booming to be one of the most

promising products of NPCI. In just 4 months of its operationalization, NACH-Credit has crossed One million transactions with the constant support of member banks and corporates. At the end of October, the total number of transactions recorded at 10,27,883 which has set a trend of recording many more feats in the coming months.

117 Member & all sub-members of BBCH under CTS

About 117 member banks and all sub-members of Brihanmumbai Bankers' Clearing House would come under Cheque Truncation System fold. And 14 MICR clearing houses in the Southern Grid are now fully on CTS. That means banks have been actively issuing

CTS 2010 compliant cheques. An in-house sample study shows that 90% CTS compliant cheques are flowing through the NPCI clearing System.

AEPS scales up by 10 times to achieve half million transactions a month

Aadhaar Enabled Payment Service (AEPS) has jumped 10-fold over 10 months to record over 5 lakh transactions per month against 50,000 in January 2013. AEPS has scaled up in transaction counting and customer servicing rate, helping banks achieve higher transactions. Demographic authentication has been rolled out with various banks to help them in doing flawless seeding of Aadhaar numbers in bank CBS.

Spreading financial literacy

To spread awareness about the NPCI products, team NPCI visited three blocks i.e. Boden, Sinapali and Komna, in Nuapada district of western Odisha. The visit, a part of the project 'Impact of Mobile banking on rural areas- A Follow up study' was aimed at

understanding the impact of the earlier project on mobile banking in Boden/Sinapali and spreading the awareness further on IMPS & other NPCI initiatives. Team NPCI also conducted workshop for Utkal Gramin Bank, at their Khariar, Sinapali & Karangamal branches where the branch manager of the respective branches and all the staffs were provided training on RuPay card as a new payment instrument and benefits.

Rupay Acceptance at PoS touches half a million mark

Against all challenges, RuPay Acceptance team achieved the targeted half million PoS terminal enablement for RuPay cards in September 2013. The number of PoS terminals for RuPay acceptance till October has recorded at 5.57 lakhs with a total of 23 acquiring banks made live. RuPay card was launched in March 2012, when India welcomed its own domestic card, is now targeting to activate 90% of the existing PoS terminal base in the country for RuPay acceptance by the end of December 2013.

APBS bags FIPS 2013 Award in Financial Inclusion category



Aadhaar Payment Bridge System is awarded the coveted Financial Inclusion and Payment Systems (FIPS) 2013 Award for its inimitable features. APB transfers stood at more than 6 million transactions during last month, the highest processed on APB system. FIPS Award is a landmark event scheduled to Achieve full financial inclusion at the intersection of social benefit and economic sustainability at the heart.

NPCI Initiatives

