

The Study of Fund Disbursement by NABARD in Uttar Pradesh

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Abstract

Agriculture is major source of employment and food to our country but even this sector is facing various problems from many years. The problem of availability of credit is one of them, due to this problem the agricultural production get affected every year. The Present Study focuses over the fund disbursement to agricultural sector by NABARD in Uttar Pradesh. The Present Study indicates the preferences of NABARD in financial assistance to different sectors including agriculture sector. The present paper is an attempt by the researchers to examine the role of NABARD in agriculture in Uttar Pradesh through financial disbursements made by it directly. The study is purely based on secondary data which were analyzed with the help of mean, percentage, CAGR, one-way ANNOVA, Post Hoc Test, Tukey etc. to draw the results. The study also exhibited that NABARD continuously focuses on NFS, and farm mechanization, however, agriculture which assumes great significance in present day scenario, is yet to get its dues from Bank. It was established through the study that there is a significant difference in refinance disbursement of NABARD through Purpose and Programme-wise to various sectors.

Index terms— agricultural credit, refinancing, non farm sector, NABARD.

1 I. Introduction

he major problem in agricultural sector is unavailability of finance at right time, due to this farmer faces difficulty to arrange resources in cultivation on time and sometime they failed to arrange the financial support for their farming activities which results in poor production. If farmers avail the credit facilities in proper amount on time then the scenario of agricultural sector may be changed.

This argument has been empirically examined in many studies these are—"Despite the significant strides achieved in terms of spread, network and outreach of rural financial institutions, the quantum of flow of financial resources to agriculture continues to be inadequate (Golait, 2007)". "This situation brings out the fact that the existing institutional arrangement for credit delivery is not adequate and suitable to address the agrarian distress in the country (Barah and Sirohi, 2011)". "Reserve Bank of India (2006) also reported that one common factor that can be seen across all regions is that manifestation of economic distress is primarily through indebtedness." "In this context it is pertinent to mention that the Planning Commission of India in the Approach Paper to 11th Five Year Plan 2007-2012 observed that 'there is evidence that farm debt is increasing much faster than farm incomes' (Government of India 2006)". These studies focuses that there is still need of reform.

The National Bank for Agricultural and Rural development has been set up as an apex body to support and regulate agricultural credit in India. But the present study is covering the role of NABARD in finance disbursement to Uttar Pradesh only.

2 II. Objective And Hypothesis

As discussed in the previous sections the impact of availability of finance to agricultural sector: 1) To know the role of NABARD in refinance disbursement to agricultural sector in Uttar Pradesh. 2) To know the role of NABARD in refinance to various activities in Uttar Pradesh.

Based on these observations, we have formulated a hypothesis, which is as follows:

As aforementioned, the NABARD is an apex institution in agricultural rural development in India. That is why the hypothesis has been framed to know the contribution of NABARD in Uttar Pradesh.

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Uttar Pradesh is the largest food grain producing State of the country contributing about 19% of the total food grains of the country. It is the highest producer of wheat and second highest producer of rice. The State is also the largest milk producing state, accounting for nearly 17 per cent of the total milk production. U.P is the second largest sugarcane producer of India after Maharashtra accounting for about 28% of total production in the country.

? H0: There is no significant difference in financial assistance among different agricultural activities plans and programs of NABARD in Uttar Pradesh. ? H1: There lies a significant difference in financial assistance among different agricultural activities plans and programs of NABARD in Uttar Pradesh.

4 III. Research Methodology

The total disbursements by NABARD in Uttar Pradesh have been divided into four categories then analyses have been conducted. The analysis of Purpose-wise refinance disbursement by NABARD with the help of CAGR shows that the Non-Farm Sector had been the priority areas for the bank with a highest CAGR of 10.94% during the period under study. This Sector had been on the top in almost all the years on the basis of absolute amount of disbursement. Allied to agriculture sector come next with a CAGR score of 6.10% followed by Agriculture Sector (CAGR -4.16%), having the lowest share in assistance in terms of both percentage and absolute amount. The Other Sector is the only region exposing a lowest negative CAGR of -7.79%. Hence, it can safely be concluded that allied to agriculture sector and Non-Farm Sector constitute the preference Sector in the eyes of the bank as far as the agriculture and rural area is concerned. The Purpose-wise distribution of finance can be visualized with the help of Figures-which express that the Non-farm sector has been a priority sector for NABARD particularly after 2005-06 to 2010-12 though, its share declined during 2011-12 in comparison to 2010-11. The figure is the proof of the fact that Agriculture Sector is the most neglected Sector while Allied to agriculture and Non-Farm Sector got assistance better than the other sector.

5 IV. Analysis and Testing of Hypothesis

6 V. Results and Discussions

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NABARD Fund Disbursement in Uttar Pradesh													
Agriculture Sector/Purpose/ Activity	2000-01					Allied to Agriculture				Non Farm Sector (NFS)			
						2001-2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	2007-08	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Minor irrigation	9794	15791	18436	18463	12841				6108	9857	5448	10688	
Land development	1				10	6103	427	1814	663	2036	9746	219	
Farm Mechanisation	43009	25094	18724	12011	10371	42971	26843	12802	19188	18880	15307		
Plantation & Horti- culture	3436				7498	5916	6244	8312	10263	6216	8342	824	
Other Agriculture	5654				5097	4395	26062	53036	40223	22484	4784	994	
Total	61894	53490	53574	63207	86374	100228	67436	41122	50254	44860	38773	-4.16%	
Allied to Agriculture													
Fisheries	280				427	389	353	337	512	268	121	100	
Animal Husbandry	19173	30791	34610	26531	29289	24552	15824	14525	27687	26459	24662		
Poultry											3143	6060	773
Storage/Market Yard											55	1234	130
Waste land Develop- ment (Forestry)											117	Nil	Nil
Total	19453	31218	34999	26884	29626	25064	19407	21940	37739	35651	37327		
Non Farm Sector (NFS)													
SGSY Non Farm Sector	5406	10405	6177				5137	7384	7460	3145	1322		
SC-ST-AP-Non Farm Sector										648	167		
Non Farm Sector	5286				6818	21522	25398	22090	20104	24400	21617	25253	49697
Total	10692	10692	27699	30535	29474	27564	28193	23106	25253	49697	33508	10.94%	
Others													
Non Conventional Energy (Bio Gas Plant)											Nil	Nil	2
Self help Group	559				813	1292	1553	1883	2043	1815	4022		
AH (Others)										624	701	129	
Agriclinics and Agri Business										10	Nil		
Total	559				813	1292	1553	1883	2043	2449	4723	129	
Total Disbursement	92598	102744	117564	122179	147357	154899	117485	90891	114543	132487	109837	-7.7%	

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Figure 1: Table 1 :

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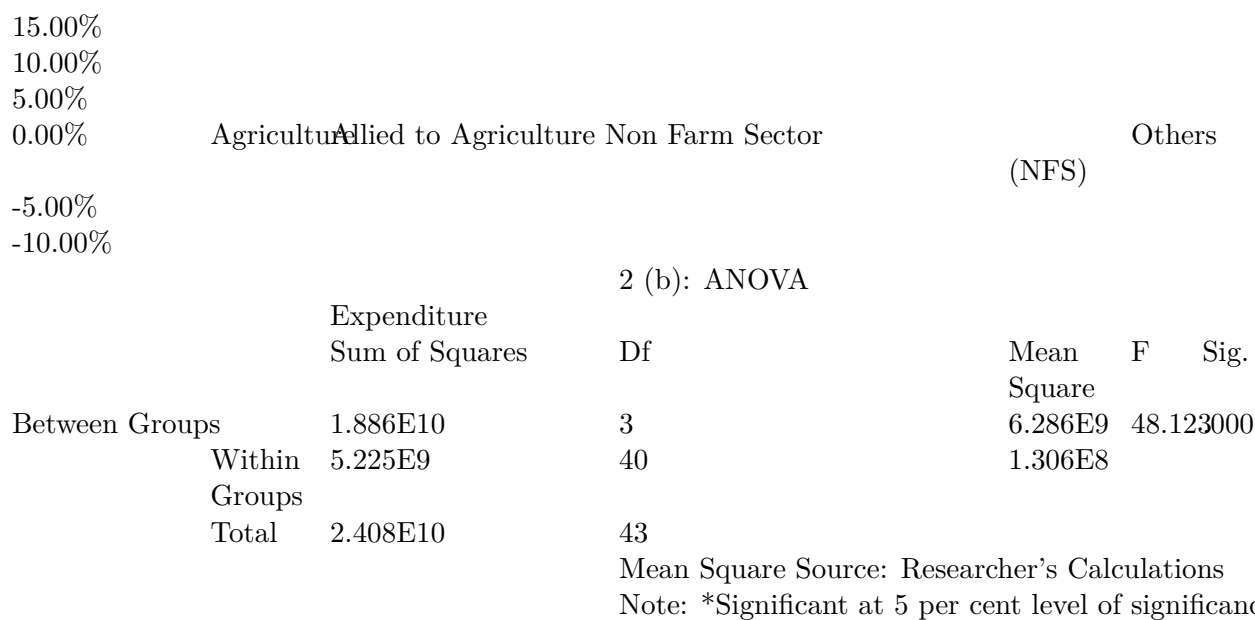


Figure 2: Table 1 .

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