

ANCILLARY SERVICES

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REMITTANCES: INTRODUCTION

 **Definition:** Transfer of funds from one bank branch to another

(same or different bank).

Modes of Remittance:

Mode	Description	Example
Banker's Cheque (BC)	Used for local payments	Paying a vendor for business expenses within the same city.
Demand Draft (DD)	Secure paper-based payment for intercity transfers	A student paying university fees in another city.
NEFT (National Electronic Funds Transfer)	Electronic interbank transfer settled in batches	Paying monthly rent to a landlord's account.
RTGS (Real Time Gross Settlement)	Immediate high-value fund transfer	Sending ₹5 lakh from Mumbai to Delhi for property booking.

DEMAND DRAFTS (DD) & BANKER'S CHEQUES (BC)

Demand Draft (DD):

Feature	Details
Type	Negotiable instrument for intercity transfer
Key Restriction	Cannot be payable to bearer (Sec.31 of RBI Act 1934)
Use Case	College admission fees, government tenders
Validity	3 months (can be revalidated once within a year)
Regulation	₹20,000+ must have account payee crossing

Banker's Cheque (BC):

Use Cases	Example
Client Requests	Paying a consultant for services
Legal Heirs Payment	Disbursing deceased customer's account balance
Bill Payments	Utility bills, deferred payments
Contractor Payments	Paying civil contractors for government projects

Regulations for DD/BC:

- ₹50,000+ transactions **must be through banking channels.**
- ₹20,000+ transactions **cannot be paid in cash.**
- **Purchaser's name must be mentioned (Effective Sept 15, 2018).**

Duplicate DD/BC:

Requirement	Condition
Loss Reported	Purchaser must submit an indemnity bond
Issuance Time	Within 15 days (RBI directive)

Delay Compensation	Fixed Deposit rate interest paid to the customer
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NATIONAL ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER (NEFT)

Feature	Details
Type	Secure electronic funds transfer system
Settlement	Batch-wise processing
Transaction Limit	No minimum or maximum limit
Unique Code Required	IFSC Code
Use Case	Paying utility bills, monthly rent, business transactions

Benefits:

- Automated & cost-effective processing.
- Secure & quick transfer.
- No courier or physical handling needed.
- Refund available for failed transactions.
- Recurring payments enabled (EMIs, subscriptions, etc.).

Special Feature:

Facility	Purpose
Indo-Nepal Remittance Facility	Enables transfer of funds from India to Nepal

REAL TIME GROSS SETTLEMENT (RTGS)

Feature	Details
Type	Real-time electronic funds transfer
Settlement	Individual (gross settlement)
Transaction Limit	Minimum ₹2 lakh, No maximum limit
Availability	24x7x365
Processing Time	Instant settlement within 30 minutes
Use Case	High-value real estate transactions, business payments




✓ Required Information for RTGS:

Required Details	Example
Amount of remittance	₹5,00,000
Sender's account number	1234567890
Beneficiary bank name & IFSC	HDFC0001234
Beneficiary's name & account number	ABC Pvt Ltd, 9876543210
Purpose of transfer	Property advance payment

✓ Benefits:

- ✓ Safe & secure transactions.
 - ✓ Instant processing.
 - ✓ Available **24x7**.
 - ✓ No batch processing delays.
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Summary Table

 Mode	 Features	 Example
Demand Draft (DD)	Paper-based, intercity secure transaction	University fee payment
Banker's Cheque (BC)	Local payments, valid for 3 months	Vendor payment within a city
NEFT	Batch-processed electronic transfer, no amount limit	Monthly rent transfer
RTGS	Real-time large-value transfer, ₹2 lakh minimum	Property purchase advance

ELECTRONIC BENEFIT TRANSFER (EBT) SCHEME

What is EBT?

- The **Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT)** scheme ensures **direct & timely disbursement of government benefits** without leakages.
- Supports **welfare schemes** like:
 - **Social Security Pensions**
 - **Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MNREGS)**
 - **National Old Age Pension Scheme (NOAPS)**
 - **Insurance & Subsidy Payments**

- **Financial Inclusion Tool:** Ensures **cash benefits** reach beneficiaries via **bank accounts**.
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Implementation of the Scheme

- ✓ **Model Used:** "One District, One Bank"
- ✓ **Rebranded as:** **Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT)**
- ✓ **Objective:** Direct subsidy & cash benefit transfers to Aadhaar-seeded bank accounts.

Benefits:

- Ensures **financial transparency**.
- Reduces **leakages & middlemen**.
- Strengthens **last-mile banking access**.
- Empowers **financial inclusion in rural areas**.

EBT Scheme Model

- ✓ **Key Benefits of EBT:**
 - **Reduces time & administrative costs** for the government.
 - **Encourages banks** to penetrate remote villages.
 - **State Governments pay commission** to banks, making it financially viable.









✓ EBT Operational Framework:

✍ Step	📄 Process
1 State Government & RBI	State designates one leader bank per district in consultation with RBI Regional Office & SLBC .
2 Leader Bank Arrangement	Leader bank enters revenue-sharing contracts with other banks.
3 Nodal Department	State Government Nodal Dept. coordinates with leader bank for all EBT schemes.
4 Beneficiary Enrollment	Participating banks open accounts & issue smart cards through Business Correspondents (BCs) .
5 Fund Transfer	Leader bank receives funds from State Government & transfers to participating banks.
6 Beneficiary Credit	Participating banks credit beneficiaries' accounts on the same day .

✓ Banking Services via EBT:

✍ Service	📄 Description
Deposit Scheme	Variable Recurring Deposit with Overdraft Facility .
Remittance Services	Easy fund transfers for rural beneficiaries.
Entrepreneurial Credit	General Credit Card (GCC) & Kisan Credit Card (KCC) options.



Summary Table

 Aspect	 Details
 Scheme Name	Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT)
 Coverage	MNREGS, NOAPS, Pensions, Insurance, Subsidies
 DBT Model	"One District - One Bank" Approach
 Beneficiary Accounts	Aadhaar-linked bank accounts via Business Correspondents
 Payment Processing	Leader Bank → Other Banks → Beneficiaries (Same Day Credit)
 Services Under EBT	Deposit, Remittance, GCC/KCC Loans

SAFE DEPOSIT LOCKERS & ELECTRONIC BENEFIT TRANSFER (EBT) SCHEME

Measures for EBT Implementation

Key Measures for Successful Implementation:

 Measure	 Description
Opening of Beneficiary Bank Accounts	Ensuring Aadhaar-seeded bank accounts for all recipients.
DBT Implementation Committee	Formed at the district level for coordination.

Transparency on SLBC Website	Display of district/village-wise Business Correspondents (BCs).
Grievance Redressal System	Dedicated complaint resolution officer in every district.

Banking Infrastructure Enhancements:

- All Public Sector Banks (PSBs) are connected to **Aadhaar Payment Bridge (APB)**.
- Expansion of **bank branches, business correspondents, and ATMs** in unserved areas.
- Issuance of **debit cards to all beneficiaries** for easy withdrawals.

Real-life Example: A farmer in a remote village receives MNREGS payments directly in his Aadhaar-linked bank account and withdraws money at the nearest **Bank Mitra (BC Agent)**.

HIRING OUT A LOCKER

Key Steps for Locker Allotment:



Step	Requirement
1 KYC Compliance	New hirers must complete KYC as per RBI/PMLR norms . Existing KYC-compliant customers are exempt.
2 Transparency in Allotment	Banks maintain a waitlist in CBS/software system for fairness.

3 Model Locker Agreement	Banks follow IBA's Model Locker Agreement , per Supreme Court ruling .
4 Locker Rent	Varies by size (small, medium, large, extra-large) and is payable in advance .
5 Term Deposit as Security	A deposit may be taken for 3 years' rent and charges for breaking open a locker in case of default.

✓ **Real-life Example:** A jeweler rents a **large locker** for keeping high-value gold ornaments. The bank ensures **dual key access** for security.

Infrastructure and Security



✓ **Safety Measures for Lockers:**

 Security Feature	 Implementation
Strong Room/Vault	Single entry/exit point , protected with CCTV (recordings stored for 180 days).
Unauthorized Access Complaints	CCTV footage preserved until police investigation is completed .
Water & Fire Protection	Flood & fire-proofing measures implemented.
Standardized Locker Mechanism	Lockers conform to BIS & industry security standards .
Master Key Custody	Duplicate keys are stored securely at another branch .

✓ **Real-life Example:** A diamond trader stores valuable stones in a bank locker. **Strong-room security** ensures the safety of contents.



Locker Operations




✓ **Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for Lockers:**

 Procedure	 Implementation
Access Control	Only authorized hirers are allowed entry. Identity verification is mandatory .
Privacy Measures	No bank officials or other customers allowed inside during operation.
Customer Alerts	Email/SMS alerts sent on locker access .
Lock Maintenance	Keys interchanged after surrender ; spare keys stored securely.
Daily Checks	Officer-in-charge ensures lockers are properly closed at day-end .
Record Keeping	Locker transactions recorded in CBS/software system .

✓ **Real-life Example:** A customer forgets to close their locker properly. The **bank officer detects it during daily checks** and informs the customer via **SMS alert**.

Summary Table



 Aspect	 Details
EBT/DBT Implementation	Aadhaar-linked transfers, transparent allotment, grievance redressal.


 Locker Security Features	CCTV monitoring, strong-room entry control, fire/waterproofing.
 Hiring & Access Rules	KYC required, term deposit for rent security, key control measures.
 Daily Operations & Checks	Lockers verified daily, SMS alerts for locker access.

SAFE DEPOSIT LOCKERS

Nomination Facility

Key Rules for Nomination in Lockers

 Nomination Rule	 Details
Single Locker Hirer	Can nominate only one individual .
Joint Hirers	Can nominate one or more persons . (Max 2)
Photographs	Optional for nominee(s).
Thumb Impression Cases	Requires attestation by two witnesses .
Acknowledgment	Provided for nomination/cancellation/variation .

 **Real-life Example:** A retired individual nominates his son for his **bank locker** containing property documents and valuables.

Claims Settlement on Death of a Customer

Claim Settlement Process:

Scenario	Procedure
Death of Sole Locker Hirer	After verifying death certificate , the nominee is given access post-inventory.
Death of Joint Locker Hirer (Joint Operation)	Nominee & surviving hirers can access after taking inventory.
Death of Joint Hirer (Survivorship Clause Present)	Bank follows predefined mandate .
No Nominee/Survivorship Clause	Legal heirs are given access as per bank policy & documentation .

Time Limit for Settlement:

- **Maximum 15 days** from claim submission.
- **No need for succession certificate, indemnity bond, or surety.**

Prerequisites for Access:

- **Proper identification of nominee/ legal heirs.**
- **Verification of Court orders (if any).**
- **Nominee/survivors receive locker contents as a trustee, not as an absolute owner.**

Real-life Example: A widow submits her **late husband's death certificate**, and the bank allows her access to their **jointly held locker**.