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Dear Sir(s),

**Sub.: Clarification on news article on YES Bank that appeared on September 21, 2019 in print and online media of Deccan Herald**

With regards to the article headlined, '*DH Exclusive: Fund houses say 'no' to YES Bank*' that appeared on September 21st, 2019 edition of the Deccan Herald, we would like to clarify the following:

1. The story quotes three different sources who have claimed that "the bank had approached many fund houses to raise at least \$250 million (about Rs 1,775 crore), which no one was willing to give them."

Facts:

- The article has conveniently given a miss to the recent capital raising exercise carried out by YES Bank by way of Qualified Institutional Placement (QIP) route to the tune of USD 275 million (which is equivalent to Rs. 1930 crores). The very fact that YES Bank has raised capital to the tune of Rs. 1930 crores clearly indicates that the bank has support from marquee institutional investors, including domestic fund houses.
  - Further, it has also disregarded YES Bank's intimation to the Stock Exchanges dated August 30, 2019 on further capital raising plans.
  - Since the last capital raise, the Bank has had no discussions with any domestic mutual fund houses to raise the additional capital, and therefore, the whole foundation of the article is factually incorrect.
  - As per the latest publicly disclosed shareholding, more than 25 domestic mutual funds/schemes are investors in YES Bank with an aggregate holding in excess of 7.5%.
2. The article at multiple places refers to our contingent liabilities with words viz. as 'astounding', 'bulging', ambiguous and arising out of both business and legal issues.

Facts:

- As on March 31, 2019, Contingent liabilities to Total Assets ratio of 172% for YES Bank is comparable with top six private sector Banks (excluding YES Bank). Out of these six Banks,

the above ratio for three Banks is higher than YES Bank's ratio with the maximum ratio being in excess of 300%.

- The Bank assumes contingent liabilities in its normal course of dealing with its customers and constituents. The same is disclosed in Schedule 12 of the Notes to Accounts, and is also subject to audit by the Bank's Statutory Auditors. Given this context, for the correspondent to use words viz. Ambiguous and Contingent liabilities arising out of business and legal issues clearly indicates ignorance on the subject.
  - Further, the article also refers to the Bank's contingent liabilities as 'Bulging'. The same article has also provided the historical data on Total Assets and Contingent Liabilities. If we compare the ratio of Contingent liabilities to Total Assets as a trend, it clearly indicates that the proportion has been reducing over time.
3. CASA -- the ratio of deposits in current and savings accounts to total deposits -- stands at a paltry 30.2%, the lowest in the industry.

Facts:

- The CASA ratio of YES Bank at 30.2% is NOT THE LOWEST in the industry as claimed in this article. It is important to note that the ratio across most private sector banks has declined in the last one year owing to underlying industry trends.
- Further, if one compares the last five years CAGR for CASA, YES Bank is amongst the fastest CASA growing Banks in the country (absolute).


The Board of Directors of YES Bank would like to state that the financial position of the Bank is sound & stable, its operating performance continues to be robust and its growth plans stay firmly on track.

Meanwhile, the Bank is also in touch with the Editor of the publication to rectify the article.

We would request you to take the above on record and oblige.

Thanking you,

For YES BANK LIMITED

  
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