

## An Empirical analysis and Social security under Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY)

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### Abstract:

Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) was launched by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India on August 28, 2014. It is the national mission on financial inclusion and adopts an integrated approach to bring about comprehensive access to formal financial channels for all households in the country. The objective of PMJDY is to ensure access to various financial services, such as availability of basic savings bank account, access to need-based credit, remittance facility, insurance, and pension to the otherwise excluded sections, i.e., weaker sections and low-income groups. Financial inclusion or the provision of universal access to financial services viz. banking savings and deposit accounts, remittance, credit, insurance and pension in an affordable manner to the poor and needy sections of the population is the focus area of the Jan Dhan and Jan Suraksha schemes. This paper seeks to analyze the growth and the performance of Jan Dhan from inception. By analyzing enrollment trends, distribution patterns, deposits and claims, this paper tries to understand the full potential of these schemes in ensuring empowerment and security to this segment of the population.

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### 1. Introduction:

The PMJDY, a national mission for financial inclusion, is an initiative to enable all households, urban and rural, to gain easy and universal access to financial services, by facilitating the opening of zero deposit bank accounts by any bank branch, or Business correspondent (Bank Mitra), and also get Rupay debit cards. The PMJDY envisages access to various financial services like savings bank account, access to need based credit, facility for remittances, insurance and pension for the excluded sections i.e. weaker sections and low income groups, thereby ensuring deep penetration at an affordable cost through effective use of technology. The mission targeted 7.5 crore households for opening of Jan Dhan accounts. The outreach was planned through a strong Bank network (approximately 1, 55,000 outlets). As on 31st August 2016, 14.79 crore rural and 9.31 crore urban, i.e. a total of 24.10 crore accounts have been opened, all over India. According to the Indian Census 2011, it was estimated that, out of 24.67 crore households in the country, 14.48 crore (58.7%) households have access to banking services. Of the 16.78 crore rural households, 9.14 crore (54.5%) were availing banking services. Of the 7.89 crore urban households, 5.34 crore (67.7%) households were availing banking services. Further, it is estimated that 6 crore households in rural and 1.5 crore in urban were not covered.

Table No.1 Major Financial Inclusion Initiatives in India and correspondent authorities

| Sr. No | Important initiatives                                                                                   | Initiated by                                       | Year of launching |
|--------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1      | Lead banking scheme (LBS)- for promoting banking services and financial literacy                        | RBI                                                | 1969              |
| 2      | No frills account (NFA)                                                                                 | RBI                                                | 2005              |
| 3      | Business Correspondence                                                                                 | RBI                                                | 2006              |
| 4      | Swabhiman (To bridge economic gap between rural and urban India)                                        | Finance Ministry and IBA                           | 2011              |
| 5      | SHG Bank Linkage Programs                                                                               | NABARD                                             | 1992              |
| 6      | Simplifications of Know your customer (KYC) norms                                                       | RBI                                                | 2002              |
| 7      | PMJDY                                                                                                   | Ministry of Finance, GOI                           | 2014              |
| 8      | Kisan Credit Card                                                                                       | NABARD                                             | 1998              |
| 9      | National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM) by restructuring the Swarnajayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojna (SGSY) | Ministry of Rural development, Government of India | 2010              |
| 10     | Pension Fund Regulatory and Development Authority (PFRDA) Bill (for old age income security)            | Ministry of Law and Justice & PFRDA                | 2013              |
| 11     | Basic Savings Bank Deposit Account (BSBDA)                                                              | RBI                                                | 2012              |
| 12     | Project Financial Literacy                                                                              | RBI                                                | 2007              |

Source: Consolidated from Ministry of Finance, Govt of India.

## 2. Empirical evidences of PMJDY:

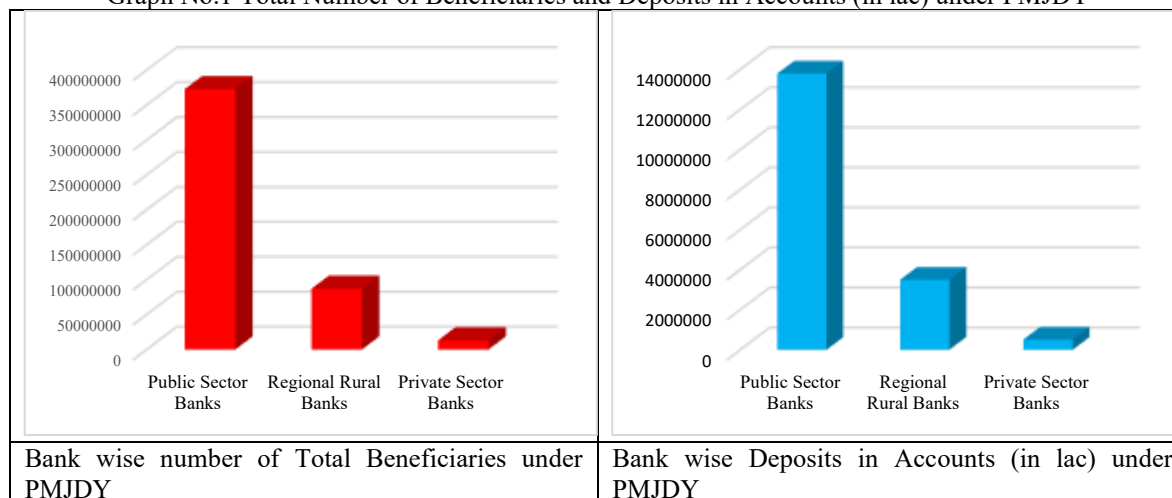
Total accounts opened under PM Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) touched 462.5 million in eight years since the launch of financial inclusion initiative, taking the deposits in these accounts to Rs 1.73 trillion as on August 10, 2022. PMJDY accounts opened till August 2021 stood at 430.4 million. The scheme was launched on August 28, 2014 with the motive of 'banking the unbanked', with 179 million accounts being opened in its first year. The scheme has expanded its coverage to 67 per cent rural or semi-urban areas, and has 56 per cent of women accountholders. However, operative accounts as a percentage of the total number Jan Dhan accounts declined in August 2022. Out of a total of 462.5 million PMJDY accounts in August 2022, 375.7 million or 81.2 per cent were operative. This compares with 368.6 million operative accounts or 85.6 per cent of the total number of Jan Dhan accounts in August 2021. Average deposits per Jan Dhan account rose to Rs 3,761 in August 2022 from Rs 3,398 a year ago. The average deposit per account was up over 2.9 times from Rs 1,279 in August 2015. The increase in the average deposit is an indication of increased usage of accounts and the inculcation of the saving habit among accountholders, the Ministry of Finance said in a statement.

Table No: 2 Progress of Jan Dhan accounts (in Lakhs) as on 30th October 2017

| Bank Name / Type     | Number of Beneficiaries at rural/semi urban center bank branches | Number of Total Beneficiaries | Deposits in Accounts (In lac) | Number of Ru pay Debit Cards issued to beneficiaries |
|----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Public Sector Banks  | 233244432                                                        | 372615138                     | 13792994.65                   | 277584548                                            |
| Regional Rural Banks | 75143002                                                         | 87066963                      | 3500395.25                    | 34164654                                             |
| Private Sector Banks | 7046703                                                          | 13120843                      | 504982.72                     | 11078084                                             |
| Grand Total          | 315434137                                                        | 472802944                     | 17798372.62                   | 322827286                                            |

Source: <https://pmjdy.gov.in/Archive>

Graph No.1 Total Number of Beneficiaries and Deposits in Accounts (in lac) under PMJDY



The above table shows that the public sector banks have played a significant role in Jan Dhan enrollments, followed by regional rural banks. The private sector banks have done enrollment on a much lesser scale, however they have shown consistent enrollments over the period.

Table No: 2 Performance of Public sector bank in the light of PMJDY (as on 26/10/2022)

| Bank Name             | Number of Beneficiaries at rural/semi urban Centre bank branches | Number of Total Beneficiaries | Deposits in Accounts (In lac) | Number of Ru pay Debit Cards issued to beneficiaries |
|-----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| State Bank of India   | 56375355                                                         | 135848568                     | 4473341.31                    | 125104848                                            |
| Bank of Baroda        | 40629967                                                         | 57192654                      | 2393578.08                    | 49174512                                             |
| Punjab National Bank  | 36951466                                                         | 44296208                      | 1735179.71                    | 27008819                                             |
| Bank of India         | 22488209                                                         | 27680254                      | 1145643.25                    | 22124341                                             |
| Union Bank of India   | 20847267                                                         | 28368747                      | 812452.25                     | 12769862                                             |
| Indian Bank           | 15621987                                                         | 19398239                      | 807709.65                     | 11152181                                             |
| Central Bank of India | 13453414                                                         | 15470181                      | 517014.51                     | 8616872                                              |

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|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| Canara Bank          | 12047249  | 16893815  | 778109.29   | 7485675   |
| UCO Bank             | 6800011   | 11981464  | 499433.35   | 4364285   |
| Bank of Maharashtra  | 5338446   | 7274853   | 259139.81   | 3545026   |
| Indian Overseas Bank | 1582833   | 6414060   | 331991.77   | 4973696   |
| Punjab & Sind Bank   | 1108228   | 1796095   | 39401.67    | 1264431   |
| Pub Sec. Banks Total | 233244432 | 372615138 | 13792994.65 | 277584548 |

Source: <https://pmjdy.gov.in/BankwiseLatest>

The above table shows that 80% of the total enrollments have been done by 10 public sector banks as shown in above table. Out of which, 35% enrollments have been done by State Bank of India (SBI), whereas Bank of Baroda (BOB), Punjab National Bank (PNB) and Bank of India have enrolled near 8% each respectively. In rural areas, Central Bank of India is the third highest contributor to the total enrollments.

Table No: 3 Performance of Private sector bank in the light of PMJDY (as on 26/10/2022)

| Bank Name / Type              | Number of Beneficiaries at rural / semi urban Centre bank branches | Number of Total Beneficiaries | Deposits in Accounts (In lac) | Number of Ru pay Debit Cards issued to beneficiaries |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| ICICI Bank Ltd                | 3551971                                                            | 4454450                       | 57724.46                      | 4454450                                              |
| Jammu & Kashmir Bank Ltd      | 1632771                                                            | 1860061                       | 127004.48                     | 1429284                                              |
| Federal Bank Ltd              | 527013                                                             | 640162                        | 33664.76                      | 350686                                               |
| HDFC Bank Ltd                 | 427439                                                             | 2641897                       | 169764.18                     | 2641233                                              |
| Axis Bank Ltd                 | 214199                                                             | 1318685                       | 53585.64                      | 681837                                               |
| IDBI Bank Ltd.                | 199211                                                             | 853399                        | 36422.55                      | 648646                                               |
| Lakshmi Vilas Bank Ltd        | 133955                                                             | 174139                        | 2667.29                       | 145406                                               |
| Karur Vysya Bank              | 115507                                                             | 184645                        | 2797.6                        | 182922                                               |
| Kotak Mahindra Bank Ltd       | 102733                                                             | 156865                        | 3084.83                       | 54818                                                |
| RBL Bank Ltd                  | 65106                                                              | 104772                        | 1345.21                       | 104772                                               |
| Indus Ind Bank Ltd            | 31641                                                              | 418974                        | 7613.58                       | 172544                                               |
| South Indian Bank Ltd         | 29022                                                              | 216001                        | 7342.16                       | 122294                                               |
| City Union Bank Ltd           | 9553                                                               | 85026                         | 1723.4                        | 77792                                                |
| Yes Bank Ltd                  | 6582                                                               | 11767                         | 242.58                        | 11400                                                |
| Major Private Banks Sub Total | 7046703                                                            | 13120843                      | 504982.72                     | 1107808                                              |

Source: <https://pmjdy.gov.in / BankwiseLatest>

The above shows the 80% of the total enrollments have been done by 4 private sector banks as shown in above table. Out of which 36% enrollments have been done by ICICI, Jammu & Kashmir Bank 20%, Federal Bank 16% and HDFC Bank 8% respectively. In urban areas, ICICI has done the maximum enrollments followed by Axis Bank and HDFC Bank respectively.

### 3. Social Security under PMJDY:

Under Pradhan Mantri Jan-Dhan Yojana (PMJDY), a free RuPay debit card is provided to the PMJDY account holders with inbuilt accident insurance cover of Rs. 1 lakh. This coverage amount has since been raised from Rs. 1 lakh to Rs. 2 lakh to PMJDY accounts opened after 28.08.2018. This was stated by Shri Anurag Singh Thakur, Union Minister of State for Finance & Corporate Affairs in a written reply to a question in Rajya Sabha today. The Minister of Finance said that all eligible and willing PMJDY account-holders can enroll under Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY) and Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY). (Posted On: 20 SEP 2020 2:10PM by PIB Delhi). Under PMSBY, accident insurance coverage of Rs. 2 lakh is provided to enrolled beneficiaries in the age group of 18 years to 70 years with an annual premium of Rs. 12 only through auto-debit from bank account with express consent of the account holder. Under PMJJBY, life insurance coverage of Rs. 2 lakh is provided to enrolled beneficiaries in the age group of 18 years to 50 years for an annual premium of Rs. 330/- through auto debit from bank account with express consent of the account holder.

### 4. Life Cover under Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana:

The Prime Minister founded a scheme called Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana to include families of the deprived classes into financial organizations. The aim of this scheme was to provide a bank account to every family that did not have one

up until now. To avail financial services to the weaker class was the main purpose of introducing this scheme. This scheme consists of an accident insurance cover of Rs. 1 lakh and a Ru pay card. On 28th August 2014, Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced a life cover of Rs. 30,000 for account holders under this scheme. This insurance cover provides coverage for the account holder's life. It offers coverage to the family of the account holder, in case he/she dies. The premium for the life cover is sustained by the government of India. Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana makes it possible for deprived persons to have a life insurance. Accounts opened after 28.8.18 will get accidental cover of Rs 2 lakh.

## 5. Conclusion:

As on December 2022 the total number of Jan Dhan accounts stands at 30.76 Cr. with a deposit base of 71232.93 Cr. and The objective of covering 7.5 Cr. households under Jan Dhan scheme has been far exceeded and stands at 20.06 Cr. with coverage ranging between 99% to 100% for all districts and states in India (*PMJDY web site*). However, when studying the gross distribution of enrollments across the country it can be clearly seen the distribution is not uniform and additional enrollments are possible from states. Though per day average enrollment has shown a decreasing trend, as compared to the initial opening of the scheme, it is clearly observed that the average per day deposits are increasing. This may indicate that a significant number of accounts are operational and that the deposit base is increasing continuously. This can be studied by both the issuing banks and the government of India for rolling out various schemes and initiatives.

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