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PREFACE

There are many excellent text books on Banking written by well known British and American writers. However, none of these can claim to cover the entire course of study prescribed by the Indian Universities. Moreover, most of these books are above the understanding of an average Indian student of Commerce and Economics. The present book is a humble effort in this direction.

On account of the growing importance of the banking industry, most of the Indian Universities have introduced a special paper on Banking for their degree students. The present volume has been made to cover the syllabi of B.Com., B.B.M., M.B.A., M.Com., M.A., L.L.B., etc. In addition, I hope, it will also be of benefit to candidates appearing for various competitive examinations such as I.A.S., I.E.S., C.A., N.E.T., and I.I.B. examinations. The present volume contains 19 chapters devoted mainly to the study of Commercial Banks, Central Bank, Reserve Bank of India, State Bank of India, Money and Capital Markets, Indian Banking Systems, Banker and Customer Relationship, Operation of Bank Accounts, Collection and Payment of Cheques, Loans and Advances, Types of Securities, Modes of Creating Charge, Guarantee, Letter of Credit, Accounts and Audit of Banks. The last chapter contains multiple choice and short-type questions for the benefit of the candidates who want a deeper insight into Banking.

While preparing this book, I have collected the relevant material from government publications, published and unpublished sources, books, journals and articles by eminent scholars. My Principal, colleagues and friends have offered me valuable suggestions in the preparation of the manuscript. My sincere thanks are due to all of them.

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