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SBP enhances Quarterly Compendium; provides detailed coverage on performance and soundness of MFBs

In order to provide relevant and up to date information to the stakeholders about the state of the affairs of the Banking System, State Bank of Pakistan(SBP) regularly publishes banking statistics in the form of Quarterly Compendium (QC) on its website. The QC provides financial data as well as information on key Financial Soundness Indicators (FSIs) for Banking System, Islamic Banking (IB) and Development Financial Institutions(DFIs).

Considering the growing importance of financial inclusion and role of Microfinance Banks (MFBs) therein, it has been decided to start publishing comprehensive data of MFBs in the QC starting from third quarter of 2017(Q3CY17) onwards. Earlier some broad numbers on MFBs have been published by SBP as part of its publications including "Development Finance Reviews" and "Financial Stability Review". The enhanced QC provides detailed information on performance and Financial Soundness of MFBs, in addition to coverage of Banking System, IBs and DFIs. The QC also covers quarterly time series data of MFBs from fourth Quarter of 2008(Q4CY08) onwards.

The enhanced QC is available at URL: <u>http://www.sbp.org.pk/ecodata/fsi.asp</u>.
