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Policy # LP-03	Title: SBP EWT Loan and Grant Policy	Approval Date: 10th July, 2017
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1. Scope and Purpose

To provide financial support to members and to the dependents of deceased members, who qualify the criteria, set forth in this policy so as to inculcate peace of mind and sense of financial security amongst the members.

2. Terms and Conditions

- 2.1. The repayment of the loan shall be in 60 monthly installments for all type of loans including Marriage Loan (ML), Education Loan (EL) and Financial Assistance Loan (FAL) or till retirement, whichever is earlier. In case of early retirement, all outstanding amounts shall be repaid in lump sum at the time of retirement.
- 2.2. In the event of death of the member, all outstanding balance of loans shall be converted into grant subject to post facto ratification of the Board of Trustees.
- 2.3. Particulars of the beneficiaries / members as mentioned in the application form shall be subject to verification as per SBP/SBP-BSC/ CNIC records.
- 2.4. The Scrutinizing Committee (SC) of the SBP Employees Welfare Trust is authorized to interpret and decide regarding various clauses of the policy during its implementation and settlements of claims subsequent to its implementation.
- 2.5. Upon approval of the loan by the SC, the applicant shall provide two sureties from amongst serving employees of the Bank i.e. SBP, and its subsidiaries SBP BSC and NIBAF having remaining service of not less than Five Years. If for any reason, a surety is no more in the Bank's service, the borrower shall be required to immediately replace the surety. Retired member/dependent of deceased employee having no pension from the Bank shall also submit post dated cheques of his/her bank account to the Trust to effect recovery of loan.
- 2.6. It shall be binding upon a member to ensure that the correct information and documents are provided to the Trust in support of his / her application for Loan. In case of any misstatement on part of member, the Trust may debar such member from further benefits of the Trusts for such a period as it deemed appropriate and / or cancel the membership permanently. Further, the Trust may also cancel any/all benefit availed by such members and may demand a full refund of all outstanding amounts. The members will, however, have the right to make an appeal to the Chairman of the Trust within 15 days from the date of receipt of such communication.

- 2.7. Member who have completed one year of membership and have paid membership contribution to the Trust shall be eligible to apply for admissible financial benefits from the Trust.
- 2.8. The serving members on probation period may avail loan facility after their confirmation in Bank.

3. Education Loan (EL)

- 3.1. The Trust shall provide Loan to members to cover their educational expenses;
- 3.2. Beneficiaries will be entitled to avail loan;

Beneficiary	Programs	Total Entitlement		
For each children of Members – Maximum for 4 children	Intermediate/ Graduation/ Post Graduation	Rs. 500,000 (Maximum outstanding at any point of time)		
For serving Employee Members	Master in relevant subjects, Doctoral Studies/ Ph.Ds or Professional Certifications: ACCA, CFA, ACMA, FRM, Actuaries etc. (except JAIBP)	Rs. 500,000 (Maximum outstanding at any point of time)		

- 3.3. Beneficiaries' loan entitlement shall include all fees payable to the respective institution such as admissions / enrollment / registration, tuitions fee, examination fee and hostel charges etc. as the case may be.
- 3.4. Total outstanding balance of education loan for all eligible children of a member may not exceed to Rs. 1,000,000 (Rupees one million) at any point of time.
- 3.5. In respect of Graduate and Post Graduate Level programs, the loan will be available to the students admitted in any program including executive and part time courses/programs, offered by a HEC recognized university or an institution affiliated with a HEC recognized university or any foreign Institution/University abroad.
- 3.6. All institutions, bodies, and colleges (except professional certifications) must be registered with respective government/ chartered institution.
- 3.7. Educational loans to the members shall be granted on a reimbursement basis upon presentation of paid fee voucher of the institution within 3 months of the date of payment.
- 3.8. The SC may also give relaxation of up to 03 months in submission of the claims on case to case basis.
- 3.9. Beneficiaries shall also be required to submit results of previous session, if any, along with subsequent application for educational Loan.
- 3.10. The SC will approve a case for Loan in respect of a program. All subsequent approvals for loans concerning the semesters/sub-sessions of the specific program may be allowed by the Trust with the approval of the Secretary. However, any material changes in conditions resulting in additional financing within the same program will also be referred back for approval of the SC.

3.11. Members who are availing Reimbursement of Educational Expenses (REE) shall not be eligible for educational loan for the same child and tenure.

4. Financial Assistance Loan (FAL)

- 4.1. Financial Assistance Loan will be provided to the members of the Trust.
- 4.2. FAL shall be given to the members only in case of financial distress and it would be decided on case to case basis.

Financial Assistance Loan (FAL) requests under following circumstances shall be considered:

- I. Serious or prolonged illness of parents of member having no medical facility for parents from the Bank.
- II. Members having no pension and no medical facility from the Bank
- III. Material loss to member's own property due to natural calamities, fire, accident, theft or robbery, substantiated by property valuators' report and FIR of such incident, as the case may be, to be provided by the applicant at his/her own cost.
- IV. Request for new loan shall be considered only after full recovery of previous loan or completion of five years period from the date of grant of previous loan, whichever is later.
- 4.3. The maximum limit of FAL granted shall not exceed 500,000/- subject to considering repayment capacity.
- 4.4. After grant of a Financial Assistance Loan, a member can apply for another FAL after repayment of all outstanding balance of previous FAL.
- 4.5. Members who are availing monthly stipend /REE shall not be eligible for FAL.

5. Marriage Loan (ML)

- 5.1. The Trust shall provide Loan to members; to cover marriage expenses of himself / herself (once for serving members only), daughters and sisters.
- 5.2. The maximum amount of the loan shall be Rs.250,000/- at each instance.
- 5.3. The loans shall be granted on an advance basis i.e. before the marriage ceremony.
- 5.4. The applicant shall submit the Nikah Nama; which shall act as proof of marriage within 3 months of the solemnization of the marriage. Otherwise, monthly loan recovery shall be doubled till the 6th month of marriage and tripled afterwards.
- 5.5. Loan may also be granted at 'Rukhsati', in which case Nikah Nama shall be submitted along with application confirmation that Rukhsati is being held now and Marriage Loan has not been availed previously at the time of Nikah.

6. Monthly Stipend / Grant

- 6.1 Monthly Stipend may be granted to the flowing members of Trust:
 - i. Widows of deceased Bank employees
 - ii. Divorced or unmarried daughters aged over 50 years of deceased Bank employees

- iii. Disabled sons/daughters of deceased employees
- iv. Disabled ex-employees of the Bank
- 6.2 Eligibility for Monthly Stipend will be determined on the basis of following factors:
 - i. Member is not getting pension and medical facility from the Bank.
 - ii Member does not own any immovable property of more than 3 marla/80 sq. yd.
 - iii Member's income is less than prevailing minimum wages fixed by the government.
 - iv. Member's average monthly electricity consumption is not more than 400 units
- 6.3 The amount of monthly stipend shall be upto the differential of existing income of the applicant and the prevailing minimum wages fixed by the government.
- 6.4 In the exceptional circumstances request for extension of stipend over three (03) years will be reassessed/ verified and findings of inquiry will be placed before the Board of Trustees for its consideration and decision.

Change History

Sr.#	Document Section	Change Description	Change/ Approval Date	Updated version			
01	Change History	A new section added (this page) to track changes to this manual		1.1			
	Board of Tr	ustees on SBP EWT approved following amendments in its 3	33 rd meeting				
02	2.1 Terms & Conditions	To delete word "Daughter", "Sister" as loan is renamed as "Marriage Loan"	20 th Feb, 19	1.1			
03	2.5 Terms & Conditions	To exempt serving employees from providing sureties.	20 th Feb, 19	1.1			
04	2.7 Terms & Conditions	To exclude loan facility for the members on probation	20 th Feb, 19	1.1			
05	3.2 Education Loan	Loan to be awarded now to maximum 4 children, previously for 2 children	20 th Feb, 19	1.1			
06	3.2 Education Loan	To add Master in relevant subjects for self-education loan	20 th Feb, 19	1.1			
07	3.2 Education Loan	Amount of Loan to be treated as Maximum outstanding at any point of time instead of total loan disbursed	20 th Feb, 19	1.1			
08	3.3 Education Loan	"Hostel Charges" included for re-imbursement	20 th Feb, 19	1.1			
09	3.4 Education Loan	New clause added for maximum loan entitlement for all eligible children	20 th Feb, 19	1.1			
10	3.5 Education Loan	Foreign Universities are allowed for Graduation & Post Graduation courses	20 th Feb, 19	1.1			
11	3.11 Education Loan	Clarification regarding loan entitlement for a child availing REE	20 th Feb, 19	1.1			
12	5 Marriage Loan	Renamed as "Marriage Loan"	20 th Feb, 19	1.1			
13	5.1 Marriage Loan	To include one-time Self-Marriage loan for serving members	20 th Feb, 19	1.1			
	Board of Trustees on SBP EWT approved following amendments in its 36th meeting						
1	Title of Policy	Revised as "SBP EWT Loan and Grant Policy"	25 th Mar, 21	1.2			
2	2.5	Provision of Surety to be mandatory for all applicants	25 th Mar, 21	1.2			
3	2.7 Membership duration and contribution requirement for applying for any loan		25 th Mar, 21	1.1			
4	4.2	Criteria for FAL prescribed after clause 4.2	25 th Mar, 21	1.1			
5	6	Policy and Procedure for Monthly Stipend/ Grant	25 th Mar, 21	1.1			