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OVER 210 BRANCHES OF COMMERCIAL BANKS MADE OPERATIONAL IN THE EARTHQUAKE AFFECTED AREAS.

Over 210 branches of commercial banks in the earthquake affected areas of Azad Kashmir and NWFP have been made functional due to the concerted efforts of the State Bank and the concerned banks' management. About 230 branches of seven commercial banks including the National Bank of Pakistan, Habib Bank Limited, United Bank Limited, Allied Bank Limited, MCB Bank, Bank of Khyber and the Bank of Punjab were operating in the districts of Muzaffarabad, Rawalakot, Bagh, Mansehra & Abbottabad when the earthquake struck these districts on 8th October, 2005. All 45 branches of five big banks are functioning in Rawalakot.

The latest status (district wise) of branch operations of seven commercial banks functioning in the earthquake-affected areas is as under: -

AZAD KASHMIR:

MUZAFFARABAD:

National Bank of Pakistan: Out of 13 branches 9 are operational in their own building (One branch is functioning at SBPASC (Bank) Muzaffarabad) while 3 branches collapsed.

Habib Bank Limited: Out of 9 branches 5 are operational while 4 branches collapsed.

Allied Bank Limited: Out of 6 branches 3 are operational while 3 branches collapsed

United Bank Limited: Out of 4 branches 2 are operational while 2 branches collapsed.

Muslim Commercial Bank: Only one branch was operating in Muzaffarabad, which is functional.

Bank of Khyber: Only one branch was operating in Muzaffarabad, which is functional.

Bank of Punjab: Only one branch was operating in Muzaffarabad, which is functional.

RAWALAKOT:

National Bank of Pakistan: All 17 branches are operational

Habib Bank of Pakistan: All 18 branches are operational

Allied Bank Limited: All 3 branches are operational

United Bank Limited: All 6 branches are operational

Muslim Commercial Bank: Only one branch was operating which is functional.

BAGH:

National Bank of Pakistan: All 11 branches are operational

Habib Bank Limited: All 5 branches are operational

Allied Bank Limited: Out of 2 branches one is operational while one collapsed

United Bank Limited: 2 branches were functioning; both are operational

NWFP**ABBOTABAD:**

National Bank of Pakistan: Out of 54 branches 51 are operational (one branch is functioning in a container) while 3 collapsed.

Habib Bank Limited: Out of 12 branches 10 are operational (one branch is functioning in a container) while 2 collapsed.

Allied Bank Limited: Out of 18 branches 17 are operational in their own building while one is functioning in a container.

United Bank Limited: All 13 branches are operational..

Muslim Commercial Bank: Out of 22 branches 21 are operational in their own building while one is functioning in an adjacent shop.

DISTRICT MANSEHRA:

National Bank of Pakistan: Out of 4 branches 3 are operational while one is likely to be functional shortly.

Habib Bank Limited: Out of 3 branches one is operational while two are likely to be functional shortly.

Allied Bank Limited: All the two branches are operational.

United Bank Limited: Out of 2 branches one is operational while the other collapsed.
