desirable since it is likely to create operational difficulties. The States would, therefore, be advised to also provide similar financial assistance for the schemes implemented through EVA's.

c) Recovery & PDR Act - The overdues in respect of finance provided through the EVAs may not be recoverable as public demand. States would therefore, be advised to declare the dues recoverable by the EVAs/NGOs against the assistance of NSTFDC and also as Public Demand under Public Demand & Recovery Act and other related rules/regulations.

d) Security of Loans extended by NSTFDC

Presently financial assistance provided by NSTFDC to SCAs is secured by State/UT Government/Bank guarantees to be provided by the respective States/UTs Governments/SCAs. Accordingly for financial assistance to be extended through EVAs Bank Guarantee of the value equal to the amount financed by the NSTFDC will be taken from the concerned EVA in favour of NSTFDC, which will be valid till repayments of total dues of the Corporation.

B. Other Implications

(i) <u>Selection of beneficiaries</u>

Under the existing system, ST beneficiaries having annual family income upto double the Poverty Line are selected by the State level agencies (SCAs) generally through the Implementation Committees constituted at