

Union Bank to reschedule loans of SMEs

MUMBAI: Union Bank on Thursday said it has taken a series of measures to help the micro, small and medium enterprises (MSMEs) facing liquidity crisis, including reschedule of loans, on a case by case basis. "The global turmoil has affected the MSME sector and the bank wants to reduce the severity of the pain," said MV Nair, chairman and managing director. He said that the slowdown in economy has not led to higher NPA levels of the sector as of September 2008 which worked out to only 1.24%. He, however, felt "higher NPAs cannot be ruled out and the bank is addressing the issue proactively".

Among the measures, the bank announced on Thursday include offering of ad hoc advancing and extending stock holding period. — Agencies