## **Affordable Housing**

- Government of India defined in 2017 Budget that Houses up to 30 sq. mtrscarpet area in 4 metros and 60 sq.mtrscarpet area in other cities as affordable Housing and also gave Infrastructure status to this segment.
- Following benefits are there for affordable Housing on account of Infrastructure status and Governments new initiatives
  - (i) The developers will get 100% tax exemption for affordable Housing projects approved between June 2016 & March 2019 and completed within 5 years from the date of approval. However, MAT is applicable which they can adjust in later year profits. The service tax is also exempted for affordable Housing.
  - (ii) Developers can access FDI which will be cheaper.
- ➤ For affordable Housing projects SBI extends concession up to 35 basis points under Sah-Nirman scheme where in the interest concession will be extended back ended annually based on the penetration of Housing loans in the funded projects.
- > The scheme is as under:

SBI Housing Loan Penetration in the Project	Concession
Below 30%	Nil
30-40%	10bps
40-50%	15 bps
50-60%	25 bps
Above 60% for other Housing projects	25 bps
Above 60% for Affordable Housing projects	35 bps

- ➤ The funding for the project is based on gap funding and the bank borrowing ranges from 50-70% of the peak deficit.
- ➤ SBI funds under Asset backed Loan up to Rs 50 crores at a competitive interest of 3.05% above MCLR wherein the collateral security is 167% of the loan.
- ➤ Financing to Builders under Sole Banking product the Bank is funding uptoRs 200 crores in respect of investment grade companies (BBB & above) wherein the value of the project land is 167% of the loan amount and the loan component will be 80% of the peak deficit where cost of land is excluded in the project cost.

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