CHAPTER - 3

BANK RECONCILIATION STATEMENT

## Learning Objectives

After studying this chapter, you will be able to :

- Learn the design of a Bank Pass Book.
- Understand the reasons for difference between Cash Book balance and Pass Book balance and try to ascertain the amount of such differences.
- Learn, how to resolve such difference in a systematic manner.
- Try to understand the purpose for preparing the bank reconciliation statement and its utility.


## 1. INTRODUCTION

Banks are essential institutions in a modern society. With the increase in volume of trade, commerce and business, business entities faced difficulty in transacting in cash for each business activity. They discovered that dealing through bank, on regular basis, would be the better and safer option and finally large business entities switched over to banking transaction instead of dealing in cash. Now-a-days, most of the transactions of the business are done through bank whether it is a receipt or a payment. Rather, it is legally necessary to operate the transactions through bank after a certain limit.
A Bank accepts from people, in general, deposits in various forms, and lends funds to those who need; it also invests some funds in profitable investments. Thus money which would have been otherwise idle is put to use and is made available to those who need it. Those who deposit the money are able to withdraw it according to the settled terms and conditions. Apart from receiving deposits from and handling cash transactions on behalf of its customers, the bank also renders some other useful services as indicated below :
(i) The bank discounts promissory notes or hundies, i.e., it enables a customer to receive the cash before the due date in consideration of a small charge called discount.
(ii) The bank allows overdraft to its good customers so that they can make payments even when they do not have sufficient balance at the bank. Of course the overdraft must be cleared later.
(iii) The bank gives loans for a year or so, to its customers so that they can continue their operations. Such financial assistance is of great help for business.
(iv) The bank on behalf of the customer collects the amount of dividend warrants or interest on securities etc.
(v) On instruction of the customer, the bank makes payments of insurance premium, rent etc. on the due dates.
(vi) The bank sells and purchases shares, debentures or government securities on behalf of its customers.
(vii) Money can be remitted to another place or persons through the bank at a low cost.
(viii)The bank in return, for a consideration, furnishes security or guarantee for its customers whose credit is good.
(ix) The bank also issues letter of credit or travellers cheque to facilitate commerce or travel.

## 2. BANK PASS BOOK

The bank either sends periodical statements of account or gives a pass book to its customer in which all deposits and withdrawals made by the customer during the particular period is recorded. Both represent almost a copy of the ledger account of the customer in the books of the bank. Thus, it is the bank's way of keeping the customers informed of the entries made in his account. It is the customer's duty to check the entries and immediately inform the bank of any error that he may notice. The form of the pass book is given below :

## PASS BOOK

Messers
in account with
Punjab National Bank
Daryaganj, New Delhi-110002

| Date | Particulars | Withdrazuals Dr. | Deposits Cr. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dr. or } \\ & \text { Cr. } \end{aligned}$ | Balance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Rs. | Rs. |

The bank statement of account also has a similar form except that it is on loose sheets. The bank itself sends the statements but it is the customer's duty to send the pass book to the bank periodically so that it is written upto date. Business houses should also obtain at the end of the year a certificate from the bank duly stamped with revenue stamps, showing the balance which the bank has in the account of firm. The bank balance shown in the passbook is known as pass book balance for reconciliation purpose. The credit balance as per pass book at a particular point of time is the deposit made by the customer while debit balance as per pass book is the overdraft balance for the customer.

Students may note here that the nature of balance shown by pass book and cash book is quite different. The debit balance in the pass book represents the credit balance as per the cash book and vice-versa because the business enterprise treats the bank as a debtor and bank treats the business enterprise as a creditor.

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Strictly speaking, there should be no difference between the balance shown by the pass book and the cash book. This is so, if all the entries are recorded in both. However, on a particular
date it is possible that balances on both the books do not tally i.e., some entries may have been recorded in the cash book but not in the pass book and vice versa. After finding the reasons for non-agreement of the bank balances of pass book and cash book, efforts are made for their reconciliation. This reconciliation is prepared and presented in the form of a statement commonly known as Bank Reconciliation Statement.

## 4. IMPORTANCE OF BANK RECONCILIATION STATEMENT

Bank reconciliation statement is a very important tool for internal control of cash flows. It helps in detecting errors, frauds and irregularities occurred, if any, at the time of passing entries in the cash book or in the pass book, whether intentionally or unintentionally. Since frauds can be detected on the preparation of bank reconciliation statement therefore accountants are careful while preparing and maintaining the records of the business enterprise. Hence it works as an important mechanism of internal control. Following are the salient features of bank reconciliation statement :
(i) The reconciliation will bring out any errors that may have been committed either in the cash book or in the pass book;
(ii) Any undue delay in the clearance of cheques will be shown up by the reconciliation;
(iii) A regular reconciliation discourages the staff of the customer or even that of the bank from embezzlement. There have been many cases when the cashiers merely made entries in the cash book but never deposited the cash in the bank; they were able to get away with it only because of lack of reconciliation.
(iv) It helps in finding out the actual position of the bank balance.

## 5. ASCERTAINING THECAUSES OF DIFFERENCE OF BANK BALANCE IN BANK COLUMN-OF THE CASH BOOK AND IN PASS BOOK

The need for reconciliation arises only when there are differences in entries posted in cash book and pass book which in turn leads to difference in balances in the respective books. It may sometime happen that the balance shown by cash book and pass book is same but the entries posted do not tally with each other. In this case also there is a need to prepare bank reconciliation statement. Before reconciling the balances, one must ascertain the causes of differences. The difference in the balances of both the books can be because of the following two reasons :

1. Timing differences,
2. Differences arising due to errors in recording the entries.

Both of the above mentioned reasons can be explained in detail as follows :

### 5.1 TIMING DIFFERENCES

When the same entry is recorded in either of the book earlier and in the other book later, it is termed as timing difference. The timing difference may arise on account of the following :
(i) Cheques issued but not yet presented for payment : The entry in the cash book is made immediately on issue of cheque but naturally entry will be made by the bank only when the cheque is presented for payment. There will thus be a gap of some days between the entry in the cash book and in the pass book.
(ii) Cheques paid into the bank but not yet cleared: As soon as cheques are sent to the bank, entries are made on the debit side of the bank column of the cash book. But usually banks credit the customer's account only when they have received the payment from the bank concerned-in other words, when the cheques have been cleared. Again there will be some gap between the depositing of the cheques and the credit given by the bank.
(iii) Interest allowed by bank : If the bank has allowed interest to the customer, the entry will normally be made in the customer's account and later shown in the pass book. The customer usually comes to know the amount of the interest by pursuing the pass book and only then he makes relevant entry in the cash book.
(iv) Interest and expenses charged by the bank: Like (iii) above, the interest charged by the bank and the amount of the bank charges are entered in the customer account and later in the pass book. The customer makes the required entries only after he sees the pass book.
(v) Interest and dividends collected by the bank: Sometimes investments are left with the bank in the safe custody; the bank itself sees to it that the interest or the dividend is collected on the due dates. Entries are made as indicated in (iii) above.
(vi) Direct payments by the bank: The bank may be given standing instructions for certain payments such as for insurance premium. In this case also, the customer may come to know of the payment only on seeing the pass book. The entries in the pass book and in the cash book may thus be on different dates.
(vii) Direct payment into the bank by a customer: If such a payment is received by the bank, it will be entered in the customer's account and also in the pass book; the account holder may come to know of the amount only when he sees the pass book.
(viii)Dishonour of a bill discounted with the bank: If the bank is not able to receive payment on promissory notes discounted by it, it will debit the customer's account together with the charges it may have incurred. The customer will naturally make the entry only when he sees the pass book.
(ix) Bills collected by the bank on behalf of the customer : If goods are sold, the documents may be sent through the bank. If the bank is able to collect the amount, it will credit the customer's account. The customer may make the entry only on receiving the pass book.

All these timing differences will lead to difference in balances as shown by the cash book and the pass book.

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Following is the table summarising in brief the timings of different transactions :

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sl. } \\ & \text { No. } \end{aligned}$ | Transaction | Time of recording in cash book | Time of recording in pass book |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | Payment done by the account holder through issuing a cheque | At the time of issuing the cheque | At the time presenting the cheque to the bank for payment |
| 2. | Receipt by the account holder through a cheque | At the time of depositing the cheque into the bank | At the time of collection of amount from the account of the issuing party. |
| 3. | Collection of bills/cheque directly on behalf of the account holder | When the entry is posted in the pass book | When the amount is collected by the bank |
| 4. | Direct payment to the third party on behalf of the account holder | When the entry is posted in the pass book | When the amount is paid by the bank |
| 5. | Dishonour of cheque/bills receivable | When the entry is posted in the pass book | When the cheque is dishonoured |
| 6. | Bank charges levied by the bank | When the entry is posted in the pass book | When charges are levied by the bank |
| 7. | Interest and dividend credited by the bank | When the entry is posted in the pass book | When interest or dividend is allowed or collected by the bank |
| 8. | Interest debited by the bank | When the entry is posted in the pass book | When interest is charged by the bank |

### 5.2 DIFFERENCES ARISING DUE TO ERRORS IN RECORDING THE ENTRIES

While recording the entries, errors can occur both in the cash-book and in the pass book. A bank rarely commits an error but, if it does, the balance shown in pass book will naturally differ from that shown in the cash book. Similarly, if any error is committed in the cash book then too the balance shown in it will differ from that of the pass book. Errors include omission of entry, wrong recording of amount, recording of entry on wrong side of the book, wrong totaling of account or wrong balancing of the book and recording of transactions of other party.
To illustrate this, we give below an extract from a pass book and the bank column of the cash book :

Messer's Tall \& Short, Faiz Bazar, New Delhi-110002
in accounts with
Punjab National Bank, Daryaganj, New Delhi-110002

PASS-BOOK

| Date |  | Particulars | Withdrawals Rs. | Deposits Rs. | Dr. or Cr. Rs. | Balance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2009 \\ & \text { Jan. } \end{aligned}$ | 2 | By Cash <br> To Furniture Dealers Ltd. <br> To Das \& Co. <br> By J. Johnson \& Co.'s cheque <br> To Roy \& James | 600 | 4,000 | Cr. | 4,000 |
| " | 4 |  |  | 350 | Cr . | 3,400 |
| " | 4 |  | 1,250 |  | Cr. | 2,150 |
| " | 10 |  |  |  | Cr . | 2,500 |
| " | 12 |  | 1,000 |  | Cr. | 1,500 |
| " | 15 | By B. Babu \& Co's cheque <br> By Cash |  | 760 | Cr. | 2,260 |
|  | 16 |  |  |  | Cr. | 2,560 |
|  | 20 | To Cash 500 |  | $430$ | Cr . | 2,060 |
|  | 26 | By J. Rai \& Bros cheque |  |  | Cr . | 2,490 |
|  | 31 | To Premium paid as per |  |  | Cr. | 2,240 |
|  |  | standing instructions To Bank Charges |  |  | $\mathrm{Cr} \text {. }$ | 2,230 |
|  |  | By Interest collected on Government Securities |  | $200$ | Cr. | 2,430 |

CASH-BOOK (Bank column only)

| Date | Particulars | Amount <br> Rs. | Date | Particulars | Amount <br> Rs. |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | ---: |
| 2009 |  |  | 2009 |  |  |
| Jan. 1 | To Cash | 4,000 | Jan. 2 | By Furniture |  |
| Jan. 2 | To J. Johnson \& Co. | 350 |  | Dealers Ltd. | 600 |
| Jan. 8 | To B. Babu \& Co. | 760 | Jan. 2 | By Roy \& Jame | 1,000 |
| Jan. 10 | To Cash | 300 | Jan. 2 | By Das \& Co. | 1,250 |
| Jan. 16 | To J. Rai \& Bros. | 430 | Jan. 4 | By K. Nagpal \& Co. | 730 |
| Jan. 20 | To M. Mohan \& Co. | 1,050 | Jan. 17 | By Cash | 500 |
| Jan. 22 | To N. Nandy \& Sons | 340 | Jan. 20 | By B. Babu \& Co. | 780 |
|  |  |  | Jan. 31 | By Balance c/d | 2,370 |
| Feb. 1 | To Balance b/d | 2,370 |  |  | 7,230 |

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It will be seen that whereas the pass book shows a credit balance of Rs. 2,430, the cash-book shows a debit balance of Rs. 2,370 . We shall compare the two to establish the reasons for the difference.

If we compare the debit side of the cash book with the deposits column of the pass book, we find that the following cheques have been sent to the bank but not yet credited by the bank :
M. Mohan \& Co.

Rs. 1,050
N. Nandy \& Sons

Rs. 340
Total Rs. 1,390
Had these two cheques been entered in the deposits column of the pass book also, the pass book balance of Rs. 3,820; i.e., Rs. 2,430 + Rs. 1,390.
Looking at the withdrawals column of the pass book and the credit side of the cash book, we find that under mentioned two cheques have not yet been paid by the bank :
K. Nagpal \& Co.
Rs. 730
B. Babu \& Co.
Rs. 780

Total Rs. 1,510
Had these cheques been presented and paid, the balance at the bank would have been Rs. 2,310, i.e., Rs. 3,820-Rs. 1,510

In addition to the above, two amounts appear in the withdrawals column of the pass book but not on the credit side of the cash book; these are Rs, 250 premium, and Rs. 10 bank charges. Had these amounts been omitted from the withdrawals also, the balance at the bank would have been Rs. 2,570 , i.e., Rs. $2,310+$ Rs. 260 .

There is one amount Rs. 200, interest collected, which has been entered in the deposit column of the pass book but not on the debit side of the cash book: Omission of this amount from the pass book also would reduce the balance to Rs. 2,370, 1.e., 2,570-Rs. 200. This agrees with the cash book balance.

This process shows that the difference between the two balance arise only because there are some entries made in the cash-book but not in the pass book and some entries which are made in the pass book but not in the cash book. A comparison of the two shows up such entries and then, on that basis, the reconciliation is prepared. To illustrate it again, let us proceed from the cash book balance to Rs. 2,370. Since cheques totalling Rs. 1,390 have not been entered in the pass book, let us assume that they are also omitted from the cash book, this will reduce the cash book balance to Rs. 980. Cheques totalling Rs. 1,510 have been entered on the credit side of the cash book but not in the pass book their omission from the cash book will increase the cash book balance to Rs. 2,490. Amounts totalling Rs. 260 have been entered in the withdrawals column of the pass book but not in the cash book; an entry on the credit side of the cash book for these amounts will reduce the balance to Rs. 2,230. The deposits column shows an entry of Rs. 200 not found on the debit side of the cash book; the entry made in the cash book will increase balance to Rs. 2,430 as shown in the pass book.

## 6. PROCEDURE FOR RECONCILING THE CASH-BOOK BALANCE WITH THE PASS-BOOK BALANCE

Before proceeding further students must understand that 'Dr. balance as per cash book' means deposits in the bank or cash at bank or Cr. balance as per pass book. Similarly 'Cr. balance as per cash book' means excess amount over deposits withdrawn by the account holder or overdraft balance or Dr. balance as per pass book.

It means that students can start bank reconciliation from any of the following four balances given in the question :

1. Dr. balance as per cash book
2. Cr. balance as per cash book
3. Dr. balance as per pass book
4. Cr. balance as per pass book

When causes of differences are known then students can start reconciliation by taking any of the balance stated above and proceed further with the causes. Given the causes of disagreement, the balance of the other book can be either more or less on account of the said causes. If the balance of the other book is more on account of the said causes then add the amount. If the balance of the other book is less on account of the said causes then subtract the amount.
For example, if the reconciliation is initiated with Dr, balance as per the cash book and there is a cheque deposited in the bank but not cleared, then on account of non-clearance of the cheque, the Cr. balance of the pass book would be less. In this case, the amount of cheque should be subtracted from the cash book balance to arrive at the balance as per the pass book. Similarly, after making all the adjustments the balance as per the other book is obtained. It is necessary to note here that if a student starts from debit balance of cash book and after all adjustments the balance arrived is positive then it is known as Cr. balance as per the pass book and if the balance is negative then it is said to be Dr. balance as per the pass book and vice-versa.
But if causes of differences are not known then one has to compare the debit entries of cash book with the credit entries of the pass-book and vice-versa. The entries, which do not tally in the course, are the causes of difference in the balances of both the books. Once the causes are located their effects on both the books are analysed and then reconciliation statement is prepared to arrive at the actual bank balance.

In this procedure students should also take into care that whether opening balance of both the books at particular point of time from where the books are compared, tallies or not. If opening balances are not same then unticked items are divided into two categories i.e., one relating to reconciliation of opening balance and other relating to reconciliation of closing balance.

## 7. METHODS OF BANK RECONCILIATION

There are following two methods of reconciling the bank balances :

### 7.1 BANK RECONCILIATION STATEMENT WITHOUT PREPARATION OF ADJUSTED CASH-BOOK

For reconciliation purposes students can take any of the four balances as the starting point and

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can proceed further with the causes of differences.
Based on the earlier explanation the following table has been prepared for student's ready reference. The final balance, which will come after addition and subtraction, will be the balance as per the other book.

| Causes of differences | Favourable balance (Dr.) as per cashbook | Unfavourable balance (Cr.) as per cashbook | Favourable balance (Cr.) as per passbook | Unfavourable balance (Dr.) as per passbook |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Cheque deposited but not cleared | Subtract | Add | Add | Subtract |
| Cheque issued but not presented to bank | Add | Subtract | Subtract | Add |
| Cheque directly deposited in bank by a customer | Add | Subtract | Subtract | Add |
| Income (e.g., interest from UTI) directly received by bank | Add | Subtract | Subtract | Add |
| Expenses (e.g., telephone bills) directly paid by bank on standing instructions | ubtract | Add | Add | Subtract |
| Bank charges levied by bank | Subtract | Add | Add | Subtract |
| Locker rent levied by bank | Subtract | Add | Add | Subtract |
| Wrong debit in the cash book | Subtract | Add | Add | Subtract |
| Wrong credit in the cash book | Add इस्ताप | Subtri | Subtract | Add |
| Wrong debit in the pass book | Subtract | Add | Add | Subtract |
| Undercasting of Dr. side of bank account in the cash book | Add | Subtract | Subtract | Add |
| Overcasting of Dr. side of bank account in cash book | Subtract | Add | Add | Subtract |
| Undercasting of Cr. side of bank account in cash book | Subtract | Add | Add | Subtract |
| Overcasting of Cr. side of bank account in cash book | Add | Subtract | Subtract | Add |
| Bill receivable collected directly by bank | Add | Subtract | Subtract | Add |
| Interest on bank overdraft charged | Subtract | Add | Add | Subtract |


| Causes of differences | Favourable balance (Dr.) as per cashbook | Unfavourable balance (Cr.) as per cashbook | Favourable balance (Cr.) as per passbook | Unfavourable balance (Dr.) as per passbook |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Final Balance | If answer is positive then favourable balance (Cr.) as per passbook and if negative then unfavourable balance (Dr.) as per passbook. | If answer is positive then unfavourable balance (Dr.) as per passbook and if negative then favourable balance (Cr.) as per passbook | If answer is positive then favourable balance (Dr.) as per cashbook and if negative then unfavourable balance (Cr.) as per cashbook | If answer is positive then unfavourable balance (Cr.) as per cashbook and if negative then favourable balance (Dr.) as per cashbook |

### 7.2 BANK RECONCILIATION STATEMENT AFTER THE PREPARATION OF ADJUSTED CASH-BOOK

Adjusting the cash-book before preparing the bank reconciliation statement is completely optional, if reconciliation is done during different months. But if reconciliation is done at the end of the accounting year or financial year, the cash-book must be adjusted so as to reflect the correct bank balance in the balance sheet.

While adjusting the cash-book all the errors (like wrong amount recorded in the cashbook, entry posted twice in the cash-book, over/under casting of the balance etc.) and omissions (like bank charges recorded in the pass-book only, interest debited by the bank, direct receipt or payment by the bank, dishonour of cheques/bills etc.) by the cash-book are taken into care but delay in recording in the pass-book due to difference in timing (like cheque issued but not presented for payment, cheque deposited but not collected) is taken to bank reconciliation statement. This adjusted cash-book balance is taken to bank reconciliation statement.

Errors occurred in the pass-book are not to be adjusted in the cash book. All the adjustments considered in the adjusted cash-book are not carried again to the bank reconciliation statement.

### 7.3 PRESENTATION

It is proper to prepare a neat statement showing the reconciliation of the two balances. Taking the example given in the para 5.2, the statement may be prepared as follows:

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## Bank Reconciliation Statement

as on 31st January, 2009

| Particulars | Details | Amount |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Balance as per Pass Book | Rs. | Rs. |
| Add : Cheques paid but not yet credited |  | 2,430 |
| M. Mohan \& Co. | 1,050 |  |
| N. Nandy \& Sons | 340 | 1,390 |
| Add : Premium paid and bank charges entered in the |  | 260 |
| Pass book but not yet entered in the Cash-Book |  | 4,080 |
| Less: Cheques issued but not yet presented : |  |  |
| K. Nagpal \& Co. | 730 |  |
| B. Babu \& Co. | 780 |  |
| 1- |  | 1,510 |
| 3 , mon malc |  | 2,570 |
| Less : Interest credited by bank but not yet entered in the Cash Book. |  | 200 |
| Balance as per Cash Book |  | 2,370 |
| Balance as per Cash Book |  | 2,370 |
| Add: Cheques issued but not yet presented |  |  |
| K. Nagpal \& Co. | 730 |  |
| B. Babu \& Co. | 780 | 1,510 |
| Add : Interest entered in the Pass Book, but not yet in the Cash Book |  | 200 |
|  |  | 4,080 |
| Less : Cheques paid in but not yet credited : |  |  |
| M. Mohan \& Co. | 1,050 |  |
| N. Nandy \& Sons | 340 | 1,390 |
|  |  | 2,690 |
| Less : Premium paid and bank charges entered in the Pass Book but not yet in the Cash Book |  | 260 |
| Balance as per Pass Book |  | 2,430 |

## Illustration 1

From the following particulars ascertain the balance that would appear in the Bank Pass Book of A on 31st December, 2009.
(1) The bank overdraft as per Cash Book on 31st December, 2009 Rs. 6,340
(2) Interest on overdraft for 6 months ending 31st December, 2009 Rs. 160 is entered in Pass Book.
(3) Bank charges of Rs. 30 are debited in the Pass Book only.
(4) Cheques issued but not cashed prior to 31st December, 2009, amounted to Rs. 1,168.
(5) Cheques paid into bank but not cleared before 31st December, 2009 were for Rs. 2,170.
(6) Interest on investments collected by the bank and credited in the Pass Book Rs. 1,200.

## Solution

| Bank Reconciliation Statement As on 31st December, 2009 |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Particular (E) | Amount |
| Overdraft as per Cash Book | 6,340 |
|  | 160 |
| Add : Bank charges debited in the Pass Book but not entered in the |  |
| Cash Book | 30 |
| Add : Cheques deposited but not yet credited in the Pass Book | 2,170 |
|  | 8,700 |
| Less : Cheques issued but not yet presented | 1,168 |
| Less : Interest collected and credited by bank but not yet |  |
| entered in Cash Book | 1,200 |
| Overdraft as per Pass Book | 6,332 |

The above illustration can also be presented with the column for "Plus" and "Minus"

|  | Plus | Minus |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Particulars | Amount | Amount |
|  | Rs. | Rs. |
| Overdraft as per Cash Book |  | 6,340 |
| Interest debited in Pass Book but not yet in Cash Book |  | 160 |
| Cheque issued but not yet presented | 1,168 |  |
| Cheques paid in but not yet credited by the Bank |  | 2,170 |
| Bank charges |  | 30 |
| Interest collected and credited by the Bank in the Pass |  |  |
| Book but not yet entered in Cash Book | 1,200 |  |
|  | 2,368 |  |
| Overdraft as per Pass Book (Rs. $8,700 \sim(2,368)$ | 6,332 |  |
| Total | 8,700 | 8,700 |

## Illustration 2

On 30th September, 2009, the bank account of X, according to the bank column of the CashBook, was overdrawn to the extent of Rs. 4,062. On the same date the bank statement showed a balance of Rs. 1,400 in favour of X. An examination of/the Cash Book and Bank Statement reveals the following :

1. A cheque for Rs. 1,140 deposited on 29th September, 2009 was credited by the bank only on 3rd October, 2009.
2. A payment by cheque for Rs. 160 has been entered twice in the Cash Book.
3. On 29th September, 2009, the bank credited an amount of Rs. 1,740 received from a customer of X, but the advice was not received by X until 1st October, 2009.
4. Bank charges amounting to Rs. 58 had not been entered in the Cash Book.
5. On 6th September, 2009, the bank credited Rs. 2,000 to $X$ in error.
6. A bill of exchange for Rs. 1,000 was discounted by $X$ with his bank. This bill was dishonoured on 28th September, 2009 but no entry had been made in the books of X.
7. Cheques issued upto 30th September, 2009 but not presented for payment upto that date totalled Rs. 3,760.
You are required :
(a) to show the appropriate rectifications required in the Cash Book of $X$, to arrive at the correct balance on 30th September, 2009 and
(b) to prepare a bank reconciliation statement as on that date.

## Solution

| (a) Cash Book (Bank Column) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Date } \\ & 2009 \end{aligned}$ | Particulars | Amount Rs. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Date } \\ & 2009 \end{aligned}$ | Particulars | Amount Rs. |
| Sept. 30 | To Party A/c <br> " Customer A/c <br> (Direct deposit) <br> " Balance c/d | $\begin{array}{r} 160 \\ 1,740 \\ 3,220 \\ \hline 5,120 \end{array}$ | Sept. 30 | By Balance b/d <br> " Bank charges <br> " Customer A/c <br> (B/R dishonoured) | $\begin{array}{r} 4,062 \\ 58 \\ \\ 1,000 \\ \hline 5,120 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| (b) Bank Reconciliation Statement as on-30th September, 2009 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Particulars Rs. |  |  |  |  |  |
| Add : Cheque deposited but not collected upto 30th Sept., 2009 1,140 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Less : Cheques issu upto 30th Se Credit by Ba | at not pre 009 roneously | ented for <br> on 6 th Se | payment <br> pt. | $\begin{aligned} & 3,760 \\ & 2,000 \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Balance as per bank statement |  |  |  | 1,400 |

Note : Bank has credited $X$ by 2,000 in errror on 6th September, 2009. If this mistake is rectified in the bank statement, then this will not be deducted in the above statement along with Rs. 3,760 resulting in debit balance of Rs. 600 as per pass-book.

## Illustration 3

On 30th December, 2009 the bank column of A. Philip's cash book showed a debit balance of Rs. 461. On examination of the cash book and bank statement you find that:

1. Cheques amounting to Rs. 630 which were issued to creditors and entered in the cash book before 30th December, 2009 were not presented for payment until that date.
2. Cheques amounting to Rs. 250 had been recorded in the cash book as having been paid into the bank on 30th December, 2009, but were entered in the bank statement on 1st January, 2010.
3. A cheque for Rs. 73 had been dishonoured prior to 30th December, 2009, but no record of this fact appeared in the cash book.
4. A dividend of Rs. 38, paid direct to the bank had not been recorded in the cash book.

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5. Bank interest and charges amounting to Rs. 42 had been charged in the bank statement but not entered in the cash book.
6. No entry had been made in the cash book for a trade subscription of Rs. 10 paid vide banker's order in November, 2009.
7. A cheque for Rs. 27 drawn by B. Philip had been charged to A. Philip's bank account by mistake in December, 2009.

You are required :
(a) to make appropriate adjustments in the cash book bringing down the correct balance, and
(b) to prepare a statement reconciling the adjusted balance in the cash book with the balance shown in the bank statement.

## Solution




## Illustration 4

From the following information, prepare a Bank reconciliation statement as at 31st December, 2009 for Messrs New Steel Limited :


## Illustration 5

The Cash Book of Mr. Gadbadwala shows Rs. 8,364 as the balance at Bank as on 31st December, 2009, but you find that it does not agree with the balance as per the Bank Pass Book. On scrutiny, you find the following discrepancies :
(1) On 15th December, 2009 the payment side of the Cash Book was undercast by Rs. 100.
(2) A cheque for Rs. 131 issued on 25th December, 2009 was not taken in the bank column.
(3) One deposit of Rs. 150 was recorded in the Cash Book as if there is no bank column therein.
(4) On 18th December, 2009 the debit balance of Rs. 1,526 as on the previous day, was brought forward as credit balance.
(5) Of the total cheques amounting to Rs. 11,514 drawn in the last week of December, 2009, cheques aggregating Rs. 7,815 were encashed in December.
(6) Dividends of Rs. 250 collected by the Bank and subscription of Rs. 100 paid by it were not recorded in the Cash Book.
(7) One out-going Cheque of Rs. 350 was recorded twice in the Cash Book. Prepare a Reconciliation Statement.

## Solution

(If the books are not closed on 31st December, 2009)



## Bank reconciliation Statement

## Particulars

Balance as per the Cash Book (corrected)
Add: Cheques issued but not yet presented
Balance as per the Pass Book

## Illustration 6

The following are the Cash Book and Pass Book of Jain for the month of March, 2009 and April, 2009.

| Cash Book (Bank Column only) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dr. <br> Date | Particulars |  |  | Particulars | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Cr. } \\ \text { Amount } \\ \text { Rs. } \end{array}$ |
| 01/3/09 | To Balance b/d |  |  | By Cash A/c | 2,000 |
| 06/3/09 | To Sales A/c |  |  | By Modi | 6,000 |
| 10/3/09 | To Ram |  |  | By Patil | 3,000 |
| 18/3/09 | To Singhal |  |  | By Suresh | 4,000 |
| 25/3/09 | To Goyal |  |  | By Ramesh | 1,500 |
| 31/3/09 | To Patel |  |  | By Balance c/d | 11,500 |
|  |  |  |  |  | 28,000 |
| Pass Book |  |  |  |  |  |
| Date | Particulars | Amount Dr. Rs. | Amount Cr . Rs. | Dr. or Cr. | Balance Rs. |
| 1/4/09 | By Balance b/d |  | 3,200 | Cr. | 3,200 |
| 3/4/09 | By Goyal |  | 3,300 | Cr. | 6,500 |
| 5/4/09 | By Patel |  | 6,500 | Cr. | 13,000 |
| 7/4/09 | To Naresh | 2,800 |  | Cr. | 10,200 |
| 12/4/09 | To Ramesh | 1,500 |  | Cr . | 8,700 |
| 15/4/09 | To Bank Charges | 200 |  | Cr. | 8,500 |
| 20/4/09 | By Usha |  | 1,700 | Cr. | 10,200 |
| 25/4/09 | By Kalpana |  | 3,800 | Cr. | 14,000 |
| 30/4/09 | To Sunil | 6,200 |  | Cr. | 7,800 |

Reconcile the balance of cash book on 31/3/09.

## Solution

On scrutiny of the debit side of the Cash Book of March 2009 and receipt side of the Pass Book of April, 2009 reveals that :

1. Two cheques deposited in Bank (Goyal Rs. 3,300 and Patel Rs. 6,500) in March were not credited by the Bank till 31/3/2009 and on scrutiny of the credit side of the cash book and payment side of the Pass Book reveals that :
2. A cheque issued to Ramesh for Rs.1,500 in March 2009, had not been presented for payment in Bank till 31/3/2009. Therefore the Bank Reconciliation statement on 31/3/2009 will appear as follows : -

## Bank Reconciliation Statement as on 31/3/2009



When Nikki \& Co. received a Bank Statement showing a favourable balance of Rs. 10,392 for the period ended on 30th June, 2009, this did not agree with the balance in the cash book.

An examination of the Cash Book and Bank Statement disclosed the following-

1. A deposit of Rs. 3,092 paid on 29th June, 2009 had not been credited by the Bank until 1st July, 2009.
2. On 30th March, 2009 the company had entered into hire purchase agreement to pay by bank order a sum of Rs. 3,000 on the 10th of each month, commencing from April, 2009. No entries had been made in Cash Book.
3. A customer of the firm, who received a cash discount of $4 \%$ on his account of Rs. 4,000 paid the firm a cheque on 12th June. The cashier erroneously entered the gross amount in the bank column of the Cash Book.
4. Bank charges amounting to Rs. 300 had not been entered in Cash-Book.
5. On 28th June, a customer of the company directly deposited the amount in the bank Rs. 4,000, but no entry had been made in the Cash Book.
6. Rs. 1,200 paid into the bank had been entered twice in the Cash Book.
7. A debit of Rs. 100 appeared in the Bank Statement for an unpaid cheque, which had been returned marked 'out of date'. The cheque had been re-dated by the customer and paid into Bank again on 5th July, 2009.
Prepare Bank Reconciliation Statement on 30 June, 2009.

## Solution:



The bank account of Mukesh was balanced on 31st March, 2009. it showed an overdraft of Rs. 5,000. The bank statement of Mukesh showed a credit balance of Rs. 76,750. Prepare a bank reconciliation statement taking the following into account :
(1) Cheques issued but not presented for payment till 31.3.2009 Rs. 12,000.
(2) Cheques deposited but not collected by bank till 31.3.2009 Rs. 20,000.
(3) Interest on term-loan Rs. 10,000 debited by bank on 31.3.2009 but not accounted in Mukesh's book.
(4) Bank charges Rs. 250 was debited by bank during March, 2009 but accounted in the books of Mukesh on 4.4.2009.
(5) An amount of Rs. 1,00,000 representing collection of Murukesh's cheque was wrongly credited to the account of Mukesh by the bank in their bank statement.

## Solution :



## Solution:


Particulars
Bank balance as per the cash boek
Add: Cheques issued but not yet presented for payment
Wrong credit given by bank

Less: Cheques deposited but not yet credited by bank
Balance as per the pass book

The bank balance of Rs. 2,81,850 will appear in the trial balance as on 31st March, 2009

## Illustration 10

On 31st March, 2009 the pass-book of a trader showed a credit balance of Rs. 1,565, but the pass book balance was different for the following reasons from the cash book balance:

1. Cheques issued to ' X ' for Rs. 600 and to ' Y ' for Rs. 384 were not yet presented for payment.
2. Bank charged Rs. 35 for bank charges and 'Z' directly deposited Rs. 816 into the bank account, which were not entered in the cash book.
3. Two cheques one from 'A' for Rs. 515 and another from 'B' for Rs. 1,250 were collected in the first week of April, 2009 although they were banked on 25.03.2009.
4. Interest allowed by bank Rs. 45.

Prepare a bank reconciliation statement as on 31st March, 2009.

## Solution :



## SELF EXAMINATION QUESTIONS

Pick up the correct answer from the given choices

1. When the balance as per Cash Book is the starting point, direct deposits by customers are:
(a) Added
(b) Subtracted;
(c) Not required to be adjusted
(d) None of these
2. A Bank Reconciliation Statement is a
(a) Part of Cash Book;
(b) Part of Bank Account;
(c) Part of financial statements,
(d) None of the above.
3. When balance as per Pass Book is the starting point, interest allowed by Bank is
(a) Added
(b) Subtracted
(c) Not required to be adjusted.
(d) None of the above.
4. A Bank Reconciliation Statement is prepared with the help of:
(a) Bank statement and bank column of the Cash Book.
(b) Bank statement and cash column of the Cash Book
(c) Bank column of the Cash Book and cash column of the Cash Book
(d) None of the above.
5. Debit balance as per Cash Book of ABC Enterprises as on 31.3.2009 is Rs. 1,500 . Cheques deposited but not cleared amounts to Rs. 100 and Cheques issued but not presented of Rs. 150. The bank allowed interest amounting Rs. 50 and collected dividend Rs. 50 on behalf of ABC Enterprises. Balance as per pass book should be
(a) Rs. 1,600.
(b) Rs. 1,450.
(c) Rs. 1,850.
(d) Rs. 1,650.
6. The cash book showed an overdraft of Rs. 1,500 , but the pass book made up to the same date showed that cheques of Rs. 100, Rs. 50 and Rs. 125 respectively had not been presented for payments; and the cheque of Rs. 400 paid into account had not been cleared. The balance as per the pass book will be
(a) Rs. 1,100.
(b) Rs. 2,175.
(c) Rs. 1,625.
(d) Rs. 1,375.
7. When drawing up a Bank Reconciliation Statement, if you start with a debit balance as per the Bank Statement, the unpresented cheques should be:
(a) Added;
(b) Deducted;
(c) Not required to be adjusted.
(d) None of these.
8. A debit balance in the depositor's Cash Book will be shown as:
(a) A debit balance in the Bank Statement.
(b) A credit balance in the Bank Statement.
(c) An overdrawn balance in the Bank Statement.
(d) None of the above.
9. When preparing a Bank Reconciliation Statement, if you start with a debit balance as per the Cash Book, cheques issued but not presented within the period should be:
(a) Added
(b) Deducted
(c) Not required to be adjusted
(d) None of the above.
10. When the balance as per Pass Book is the starting point, direct payment by bank are:
(a) Added in the bank reconciliation statement
(b) Subtracted in the bank reconciliation statement
(c) Not required to be adjusted in the bank reconciliation statement.
(d) Neither of the above.
11. When balance as per Cash Book is the starting point, uncollected cheques are:
(a) Added in the bank reconciliation statement
(b) Subtracted in the bank reconciliation statement
(c) Not required to be adjusted in the bank reconciliation statement
(d) Neither of the above.

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12. A Bank Reconciliation Statement is prepared to know the causes for the difference between:
(a) The balances as per cash column of Cash Book and the Pass Book.
(b) The balance as per bank column of Cash Book and the Pass Book.
(c) The balance as per bank column of Cash Book and balances as per cash column of Cash Book
(d) Neither of the above.
13. When the balance as per Pass Book is the starting point, uncollected cheques are:
(a) Added in the bank reconciliation statement
(b) Subtracted in the bank reconciliation statement
(c) Not required to be adjusted in the bank reconciliation statement.
(d) Neither of the above.
14. When balance as per Cash Book is the starting point, interest charged by Bank is:
(a) Added in the bank reconciliation statement
(b) Subtracted in the bank reconciliation statement
(c) Not required to be adjusted in the bank reconciliation statement
(d) Neither of the above.
15. A Bank Reconciliation Statement is prepared by
(a) The Bank
(b) The Government
(c) The Bank Account holder
(d) The user of financial statements
16. A Bank Statement is a copy of
(a) Cash column of the cash book
(b) Bank column of the cash book
(c) A Customer's account in the bank's book
(d) None of the above
17. The difference in the balances of both the cash-book and the pass-book can be because of
(a) Errors in recording the entries either in the cash-book or pass-book.
(b) Omission of same entry in both cash-book and pass-book.
(c) Debit balance of cash book is the credit balance of pass-book.
(d) None of the above.
18. Direct payment to the third party on behalf of the account holder is entered in
(a) The cash-book when the amount is paid by the bank
(b) The cash-book when the entry is posted in the pass-book
(c) The pass-book when the entry is posted in the pass-book
(d) None of the above
19. Payment done by the account holder through issuing a cheque is entered in
(a) The pass-book at the time of issuing the cheque
(b) The cash-book at the time of presenting the cheque to the bank for payment
(c) The pass-book at the time of presenting the cheque to the bank for payment
(d) The cash-book when informed by the third party
20. Which of the following is not the salient feature of bank reconciliation statement?
(a) Any undue delay in the clearance of cheques will be shown up by the reconciliation
(b) Reconciliation statement will help in finding the person doing any fraud
(c) Reconciliation is done by the bankers
(d) It helps in finding out the actual position of the bank balance.
[Ans.: 1(a), 2(d), 3(b), 4(a), 5(d), 6(c), 7(a), 8(b), 9(a), 10(a), 11(b), 12(b), 13(a), 14(b), 15 (c), 16 (c), 17 (a), 18 (b), 19 (c), 20 (c)]
