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Chapter-1 Introduction Efficient and effective utilization of resources is the key objective of every bank.

This objective has always been important in banking, but a number of recent events are helping to lay greater emphasis on banking efficiency. Increasing competition for financial services, technological innovation, and banking consolidation, for example, are all focusing more attention on controlling costs in banking, and providing services and products efficiently.

Increasing competition from non-banking institutions as well as banking institutions, expanding into new markets, is putting strong pressure on banks to improve their earnings and to control costs. Efficiency is clearly a critical factor for remaining competitive.

A number of recent statistical studies have shown that the most efficient banks have substantial cost and competitive advantages over those with average or below average efficiency. Efficiency of banks is now a very significant issue. Nowadays the efficiency of banks has been studied in wide range in the banking literature, as the banks have very crucial role in the economic development of a country. For the country like Bangladesh the banks efficiency has a great importance. The banking industry of Bangladesh comprises of four types of scheduled banks; these are state owned, nationalized, specialized, private and foreign banks. In the presently total of 57 banks are in operation in Bangladesh, among these 6 are state owned, 2 are specialized, 32 banks are conventional PCBs, 8 are Shariah based banks and the rest 9 are the foreign commercial banks. The ultimate focus of the study is to measure the efficiency of the two core segments of the PCBs in Bangladesh.

These are how efficiently the banks control their cost and the efficiency level of the earnings of private commercial banks in Bangladesh. Data Envelopment Analysis is used as the tool to measure the efficiency.

1. 1 Statement of the Problem The principal problem of the study is dealing with the efficiencies in different segments of banks. To find the solution of the problem, the study will focus on two core segments of banks. The study will have the focus on the cost and earning efficiency of private commercial banks in Bangladesh.

1. 2 Scope of the study To measure the efficiency of the private commercial banks of Bangladesh the study is conducting to the 22 banks are taken as the sample to represent the conventional private commercial banks in Bangladesh. For measuring the efficiency some statistical tests have been conducted according to the nature and objectives of the study. Relative financial ratios are analyzed to measure the efficiency.

1. 3 Objectives of the Study The main objective of this study is to measure and to analyze the Cost and Earning efficiency of private commercial banks in Bangladesh and to give some recommendations to improve their efficiency.

To do this, the specific objectives are

1. To examine how efficient the cost and the earnings of private commercial banks are, by examining the sample banks.
2. To draw conclusion for the population on the basis of the efficiency result of sample Banks.
3. To find the correlation between input/output variables.

4 Rational of the Study From the very beginning of business evolution in the history efficiency is a very significant term. In every step of national economy

and business efficiency is very significant. As the banking sector has the major and crucial role in the economy of the country and in the advancement of the national economy banking sector has great influence, efficiency analysis of this sector is one of the principal task. So the report has a great significance. 1.5 Limitations of the study The study of this kind is generally encountered with some limitations. i.

Unavailability related and accurate information and data is a big problem. ii. From among the 40 PCBs only 21 banks are taken as the sample for the study. iii.

Accuracy of data cannot be assured since mainly secondary data collected from Annual Reports of the sample banks, various financial stability reports, Economic trends are used in this study. iv. Time was an significant constraint. It was difficult to organize the report in the simple manner within limited time frame. However, repeated and sincere efforts have been given to ensure the accuracy of the data used in this study. Chapter-2 Literature Review Only few related works have been reviewed in order to understand or elicit the efficiency differences among private, public and foreign banks in Bangladesh. Yasmeeen (2006), conducted a study to find out the technical efficiency and productivity growth of various banks in Bangladesh.

She examined four ratios: two for input and two for output by taking the data from 2003-2007 of 35 banks. The findings also provided some indication on the likelihood of dynamic convergence of these banks' performance as well as the challenges that these banks faced amid rising competition.

Another work had been carried out by Khanam & Nghiem (2004), on the

efficiency of commercial banks in Bangladesh and the data consist of only one year on 48 banks. They considered seven ratios of which five were inputs and two were outputs. They also found that the technical efficiency score of banks in the sample is 84 percent (income based model)¹ and 80 percent (user-cost model)², which is consistent with results from a parametric approach called parametric linear programming. However, the proof on relationship between foreign ownership on bank efficiency is not important for the income-based model. Uddin and Suzuki (2011) had undertaken a study to investigate the performance of commercial banks in Bangladesh after the implementation of a significant financial reform. They considered data from 2001-2008 of 38 banks including state owned, private owned, Islamic and foreign banks and they had considered three inputs and two outputs to measure the efficiency.

Their findings indicated that income efficiency and cost efficiency of sample banks have increased by 37.84 percent and 15.28 percent in 2008 and 2001 respectively. On the contrary, private proprietorship has positive influence on efficiency of income, return on assets, and non-performing loans, whereas unfavorable influence on efficiency of cost. Akhtar et al. (2011), used data envelopment analysis to estimate the relevant efficiency of 12 commercial banks of Pakistan. The results of their study offered some very constructive managerial insights into evaluation and advancing of banking operations.

The estimated result shows that 6 banks are relatively efficient when their efficiency is measured in terms of 'constant returns to scale'² and 8 banks are relatively efficient when their efficiency is measured in terms of 'variable

return to scale'. However, they suggested that by improving the handling of operating expenses, advances, capital and by boosting banking investment operations, the less efficient banks can successfully endorse resource utilization efficiency. Several models based on Data Envelopment Analysis (DEA) have been developed in order to operationalize the framework, and their use has been illustrated using data for the branches of a commercial bank. Specially, the service-profit chain has been casted as a source of efficiency measurement models.

Exploratory outcome shows that superior insights can be gained by analyzing at one time operations, service quality and profitability than the information obtained from benchmarking studies of these three dimensions separately (Soteriou 1997). Fiordelisiet al. (2010), assess the inter-temporal relationships among bank efficiency, capital and risk for the European commercial banking industry. They build on previous work using Granger causality methods (Berger and De Young 1997) in a panel data framework. The outcomes show that restrained bank efficiency (cost or revenue) Granger causes risk supporting the "bad management" and the "efficiency version of the moral hazard" hypotheses.

They found only limited evidence of relationships between capital and risk in line with the moral hazard hypothesis. The findings showed lower efficiency scores (either cost or revenue) suggest greater future risks and efficiency improvement tend to shore up banks' capital positions. Their findings also emphasize the importance of attaining long-term efficiency gains to support financial stability objectives.

Subsequently the profitability test focused by Spong Et Al. (1995), the core distinctions between the most and least efficient banks seem to be highly related to the personnel expenses. In the context of important technological improvements in banks' productive processes, the study suggested an urgent need for greater labor market flexibility and the consequent substitution of labor for capital.

In addition, inefficient banks always come up with lower levels of equity/assets and higher levels of nonperforming loans. Their finding also suggested that efficient banks are assigning more attention and resources to loan origination, monitoring and other credit judgment activities. Finally, the analysis also shows that there is no clear relationship between the size of assets and bank efficiency. Yiwei et al.

(2011), found that the average profit efficiency of Eastern Europe is close to the Central Eastern Europe region, but average cost efficiency leaves considerable room for improvement. They also found that foreign owned banks are somewhat less cost efficient than domestic private banks. It is also evident that progress in the implementation of major economic reforms such as enterprise restructuring and privatization are positively associated with banking efficiency. Moreover, banking efficiency affects the development of the capital market. This focuses that the relationship between banks and the capital market is both competitive and supplementary.

When banks are very inefficient, an increase in banking efficiency actually results in more borrowers migrating to the capital market. Beyond a certain point, an increase in the efficiency of banks attracts more borrowers to

banks. Thus, the quality cut-off that determines which borrowers go to the market and which go to the banks is non-monotonic with respect to bank efficiency. It may not be possible to develop a good capital market in an economy if it does not have good banks. In this way, the initial focus in a developing financial system should be on improving the efficiency of banks.