

News Release**May 23, 2010****ICICI Bank Board approves merger of Bank of Rajasthan**

The Board of Directors of ICICI Bank Limited (NYSE: IBN) has at its Meeting held in Mumbai today granted its approval for the amalgamation of The Bank of Rajasthan Limited (Bank of Rajasthan) with ICICI Bank. The proposed amalgamation is subject to the approval of shareholders of both banks and Reserve Bank of India (RBI).

The Board considered the results of due diligence covering advances, investments, deposits, properties & branches and employee-related liabilities, and the valuation report of Haribhakti & Co., Chartered Accountants. Haribhakti & Co. have recommended a share exchange ratio range of one share of ICICI Bank for 4.70-4.80 shares of Bank of Rajasthan. The Board has approved a share exchange ratio of 25 shares of ICICI Bank for 118 shares of Bank of Rajasthan, which works out to one ICICI Bank share for every 4.72 Bank of Rajasthan shares, and falls within the range recommended by Haribhakti & Co.

The proposed amalgamation would substantially enhance ICICI Bank's branch network, already the largest among Indian private sector banks, and especially strengthen its presence in northern and western India. It would combine Bank of Rajasthan's branch franchise with ICICI Bank's strong capital base, to enhance the ability of the merged entity to capitalize on the growth opportunities in the Indian economy.

JM Financial Consultants Private Limited and ICICI Securities Limited were the financial advisers to ICICI Bank on the proposed merger. Amarchand & Mangaldas & Suresh A. Shroff & Co. were the legal advisers to ICICI Bank.

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The proposed amalgamation would be governed by the provisions of Section 44A of the Banking Regulation Act, 1949. The proposed amalgamation needs the approval of the respective Boards of ICICI Bank and Bank of Rajasthan and to become effective, requires the consent of a majority in number representing two-thirds in value of the shareholders of ICICI Bank and Bank of Rajasthan, present in person or by proxy, at their respective meetings called for this purpose, the sanction of Reserve Bank of India by an order in writing and sanction or approval, if required, under any law or regulation, of the

Government of India, or any other authority, agency, department or persons concerned. There can be no assurance that these approvals will be obtained or of the time involved therein. This release does not constitute an offer of securities. The terms of the proposed amalgamation would be contained in the scheme of amalgamation once approved by the respective Boards of ICICI Bank and Bank of Rajasthan and requires approval by the shareholders of ICICI Bank and Bank of Rajasthan and Reserve Bank of India. Reserve Bank of India may modify the scheme approved by the shareholders. There can be no assurance that terms of the scheme will not have an adverse impact on ICICI Bank. The proposed amalgamation and any future acquisitions or mergers may involve a number of risks, including deterioration of asset quality, diversion of our management's attention required to integrate the acquired business and the failure to retain key acquired personnel and clients, leverage synergies or rationalise operations, or develop the skills required for new businesses and markets, or unknown and known liabilities, some or all of which could have an adverse effect on our business.

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