

Scheduled Banks’ Sub-branch Statistics **(April-June, 2026)**

Bangladesh Bank significantly enhanced financial inclusion across the country through the sub-branch banking model. Bangladesh Bank first issued a policy regarding the operation of “Banking Booth” through BRPD Circular Letter No. 28, dated 27/12/2018. Later, through BRPD Circular Letter No. 28, dated 03/12/2019, these “Banking Booth” were considered as “Sub-branches.” Subsequently, BRPD Circular Letter No. 02, dated 19/01/2023, outlined the terms and conditions for conducting banking operations through sub-branches. In this regard, the Statistics Department began collecting data related to sub-branches, with the goal of creating a comprehensive database covering deposits, advances, and location-specific information of scheduled banks operating through sub-branches. The significant points relating to sub-branch statistics at the end of April-June, 2026 are presented below:

At the end of June 2026, the total number of sub-branches increased to 5033, compared to 4992 sub-branch activities at March, 2025. 30 rural and 19 urban sub-branches have been opened during this period. On the other hand, 8 sub-branches have been closed or merged with other branch/sub-branch during this period. The share of rural sub-branches slightly increased from 49.4% (March, 2026) to 49.5% (June, 2026).

Total outstanding deposits collected through sub-branches rose significantly from Tk. 79,717 crore to Tk. 84,263 crore, representing a 5.7% growth whereas overall deposits of the banking sector’s growth is 2.4%. The deposit share of sub-branch deposits in total deposits increased slightly from 3.7% to 3.8%. Rural share of deposits increased slightly from 32.8% to 33.9%. The share of deposits in women’s accounts decreased from 26.2% to 25.9%. The number of deposit accounts increased from 8.47 million to 8.97 million, a growth of 5.9%. The share of women’s deposit accounts grew from 38.2% to 38.4%, indicating increasing participation of women in account ownership. (Table 1 and Table 2)

Table 1: Comparison of Sub-branch deposits and loans & advances with total banking sector

(In crore taka)			
Items	March 31, 2026	June 30, 2026	Growth
All Banks’ outstanding deposits	2,158,025	2,210,444	2.4%
of which: Sub-branch	79,717	84,263	5.7%
% of Sub-branch	3.7%	3.8%	
All Banks’ outstanding loans & advances	1,783,920	1,808,738	1.4%
of which: Sub-branch	22,309	20,602	-7.7%
% of Sub-branch	1.3%	1.1%	

Source: Statistics Department, Bangladesh Bank.

Total outstanding loans and advances disbursed through sub-branches decreased from Tk. 22,309 crore to Tk. 20,602 crore, representing a 7.7% decline whereas overall banking sector’s

growth is 1.4%. This amount accounts for 1.1% of the aggregate loans and advances distributed by scheduled banks. The rural share increased from 31.8% to 35.8%, indicating loan growth in rural areas compared to urban areas. Women's share of loans increased slightly from 14.0% to 14.7%. The number of loan accounts decreased from 253,512 to 240,010, a decline of 5.3%. Women's share of loan accounts slightly increased from 18.3% to 18.9%.

Table 2: Sub-branch scenario: at a glance

Items	As on	
	March 31, 2026	June 30, 2026
Number of banks having sub-branch activities (<i>Unit</i>)	50	50
Number of sub-branch (<i>Unit</i>)	4,992	5,033
% of rural sub-branch	49.4%	49.5%
Total deposits collected through sub-branch (<i>in crore taka</i>)	79,717	84,263
% of rural sub-branch	32.8%	33.9%
% of women account	26.2%	25.9%
Number of deposits account (<i>Unit</i>)	8,473,697	8,969,198
% of women account	38.2%	38.4%
Total loans & advances collected through sub-branch (<i>in crore taka</i>)	22,309	20,602
% of rural sub-branch	31.8%	35.8%
% of women account	14.0%	14.7%
Number of loans & advances account (<i>Unit</i>)	253,512	240,010
% of women account	18.3%	18.9%

At the end of June 2026, the highest numbers of sub-branches (1007) are being operated in Dhaka district. In addition, there are 470 sub-branches in Chattogram, 218 in Cumilla, 170 in Narayanganj and 168 in Gazipur. During the same period, IFIC Bank PLC operated the highest number of sub-branch (1224) followed by NRBC Bank PLC (688), Dutch-Bangla Bank PLC (350), Pubali Bank PLC (281) and Islami Bank Bangladesh PLC (271) respectively.

Appendix

Figure 1: Quarterly Sub-branch Trend

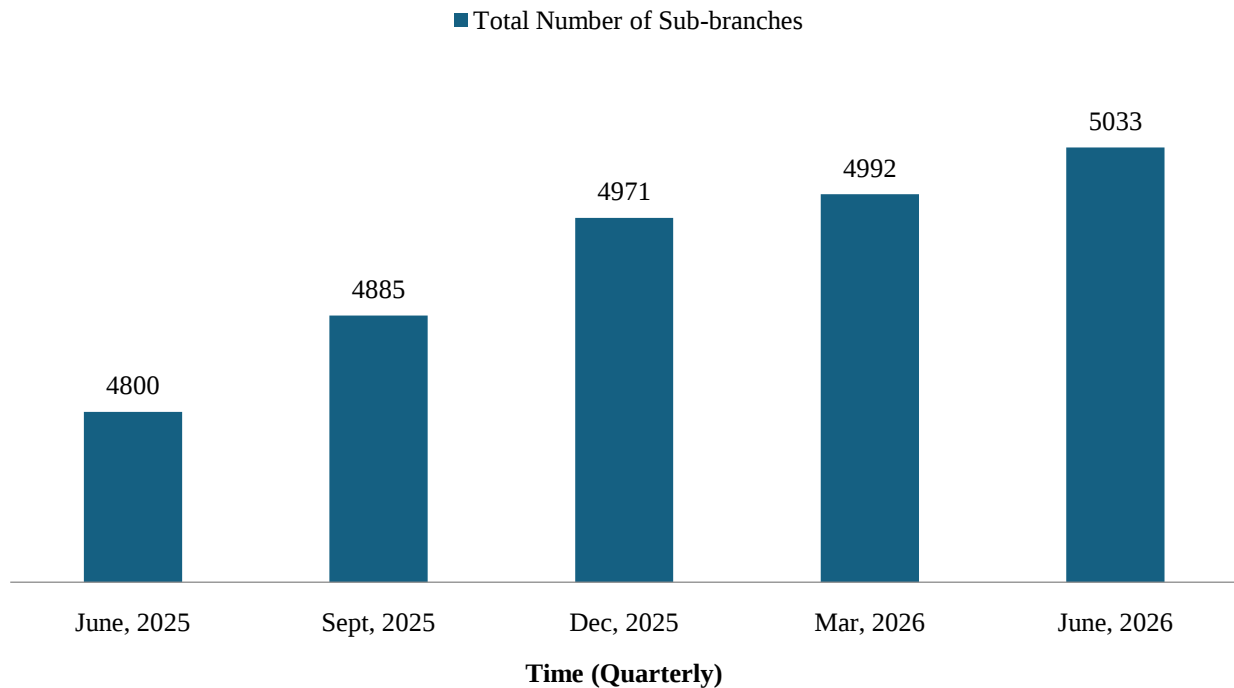


Figure 2: Percentage of Urban and Rural Sub-branches

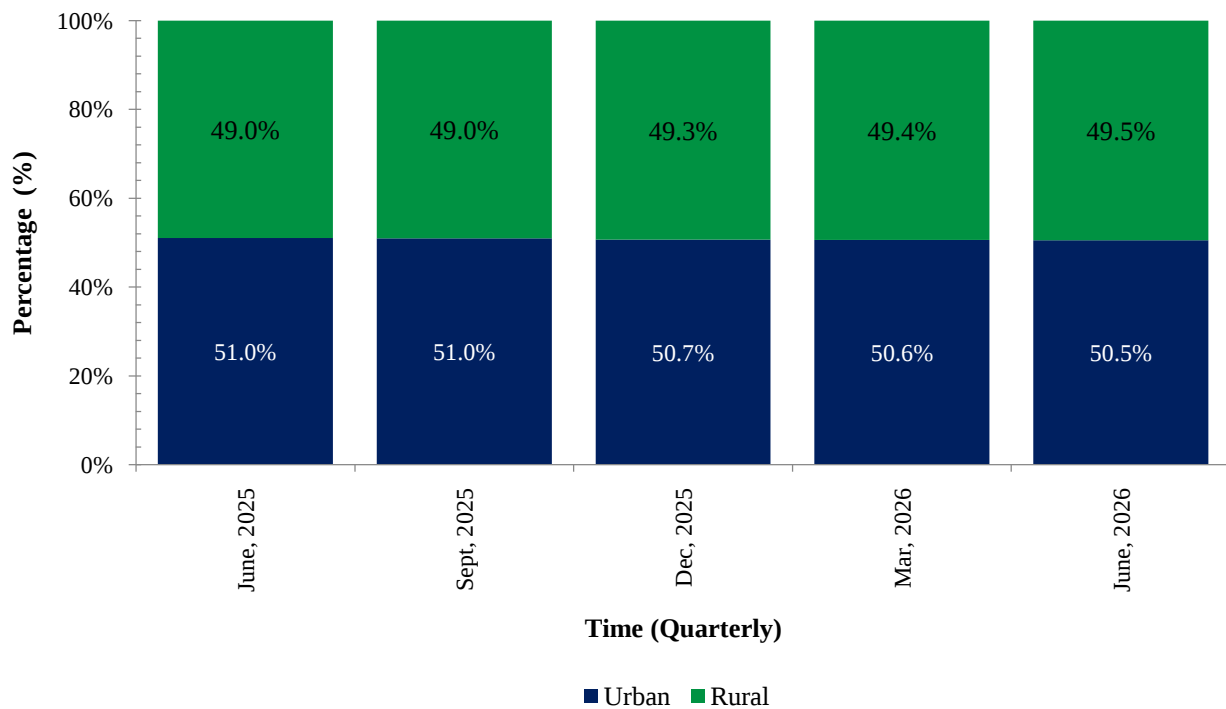


Figure 3: Trend in the Number of Deposits Account at Sub-branches

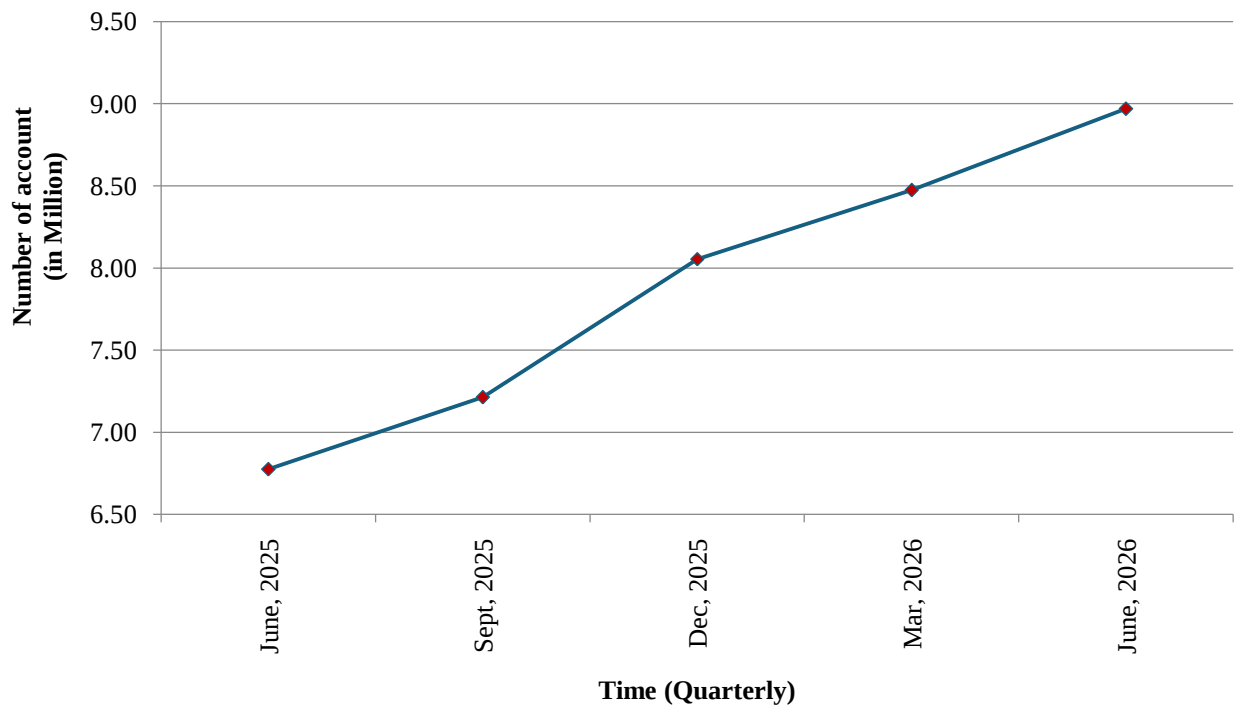


Figure 4: Percentage of Urban and Rural Deposits Account

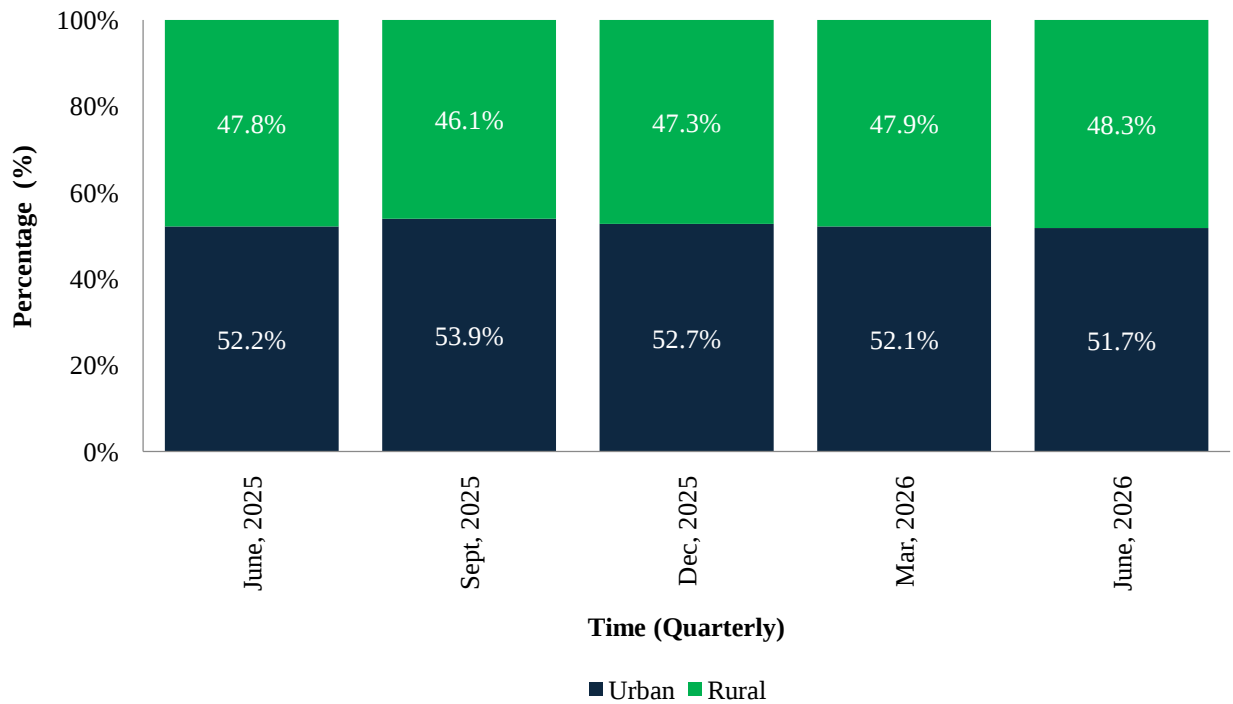


Figure 5:
Percentages of Urban Deposits Account by Gender

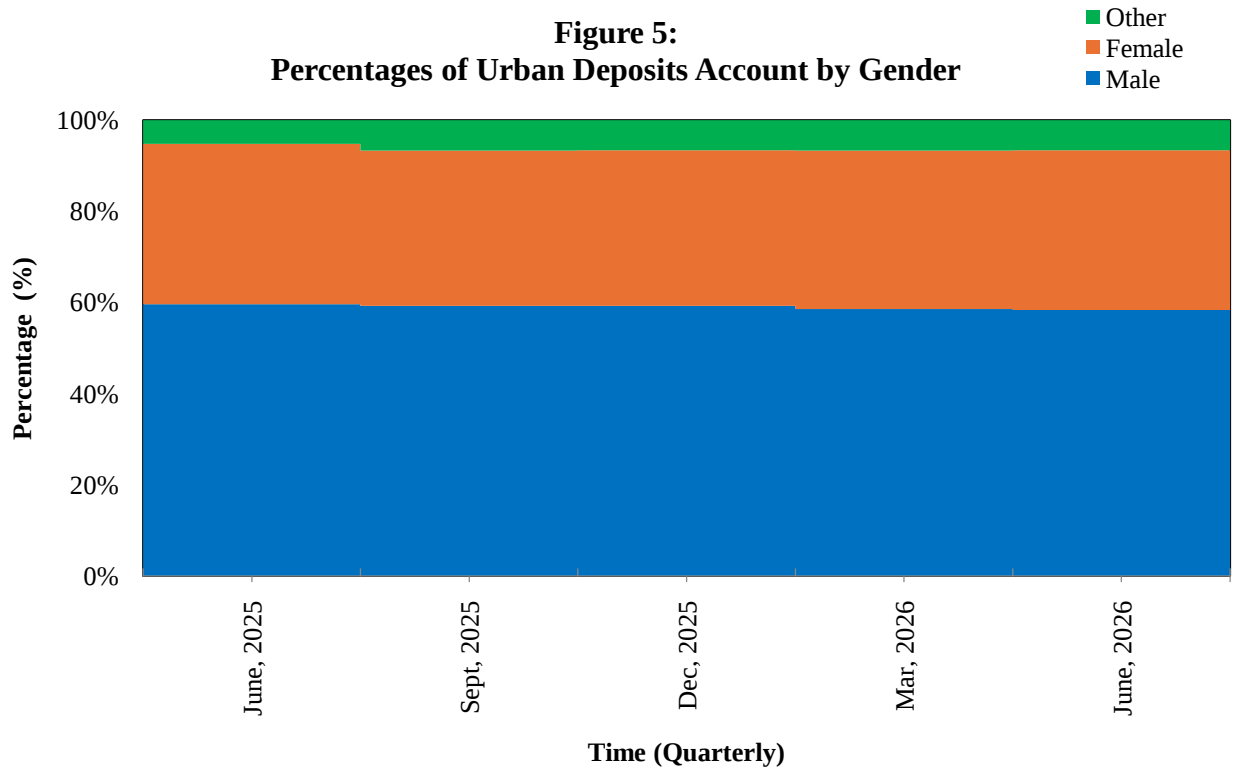


Figure 6:
Percentages of Rural Deposits Account by Gender

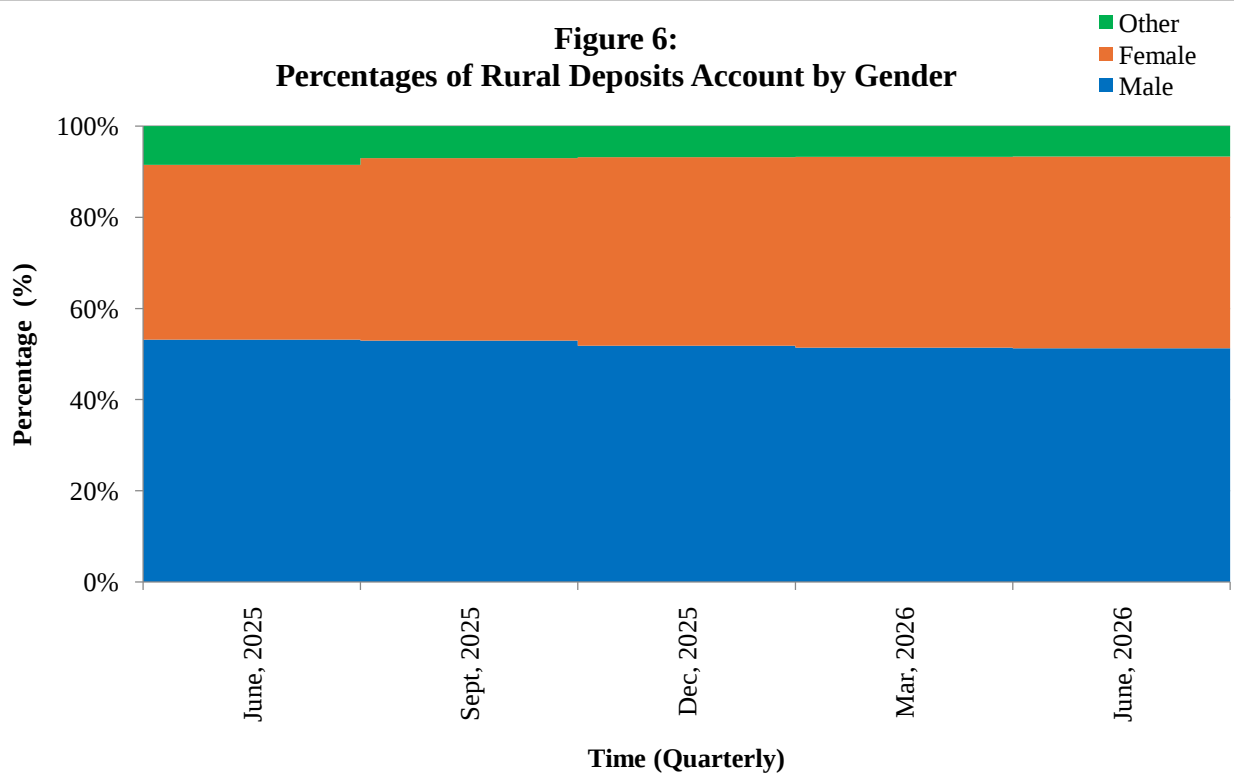


Figure 7: Trend in the Number of Loans and Advances Account at Sub-branches

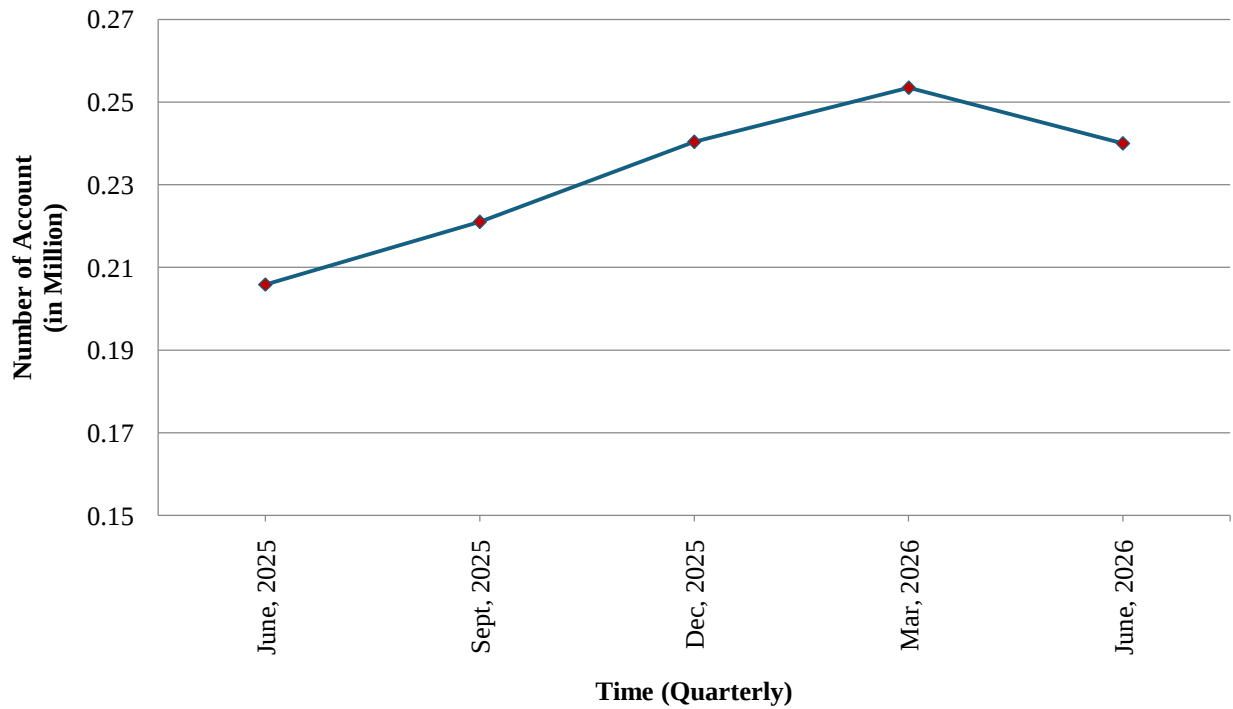
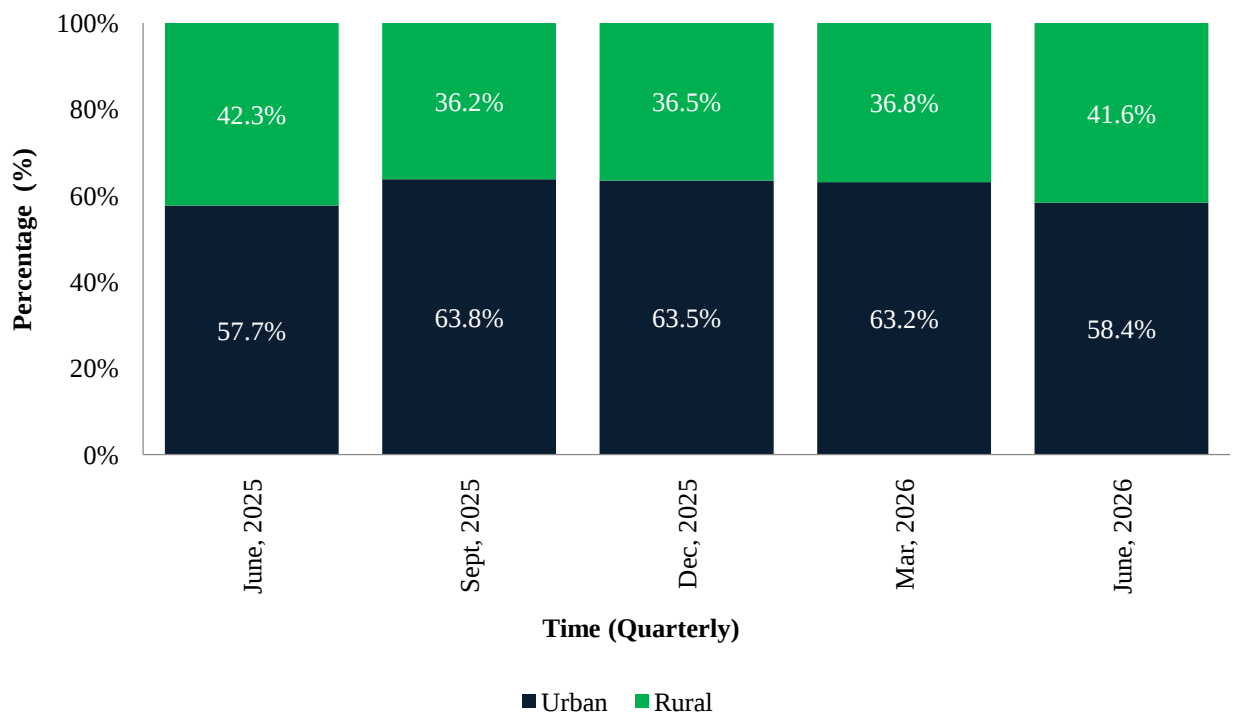


Figure 8: Percentage of Urban and Rural Loans and Advances Account



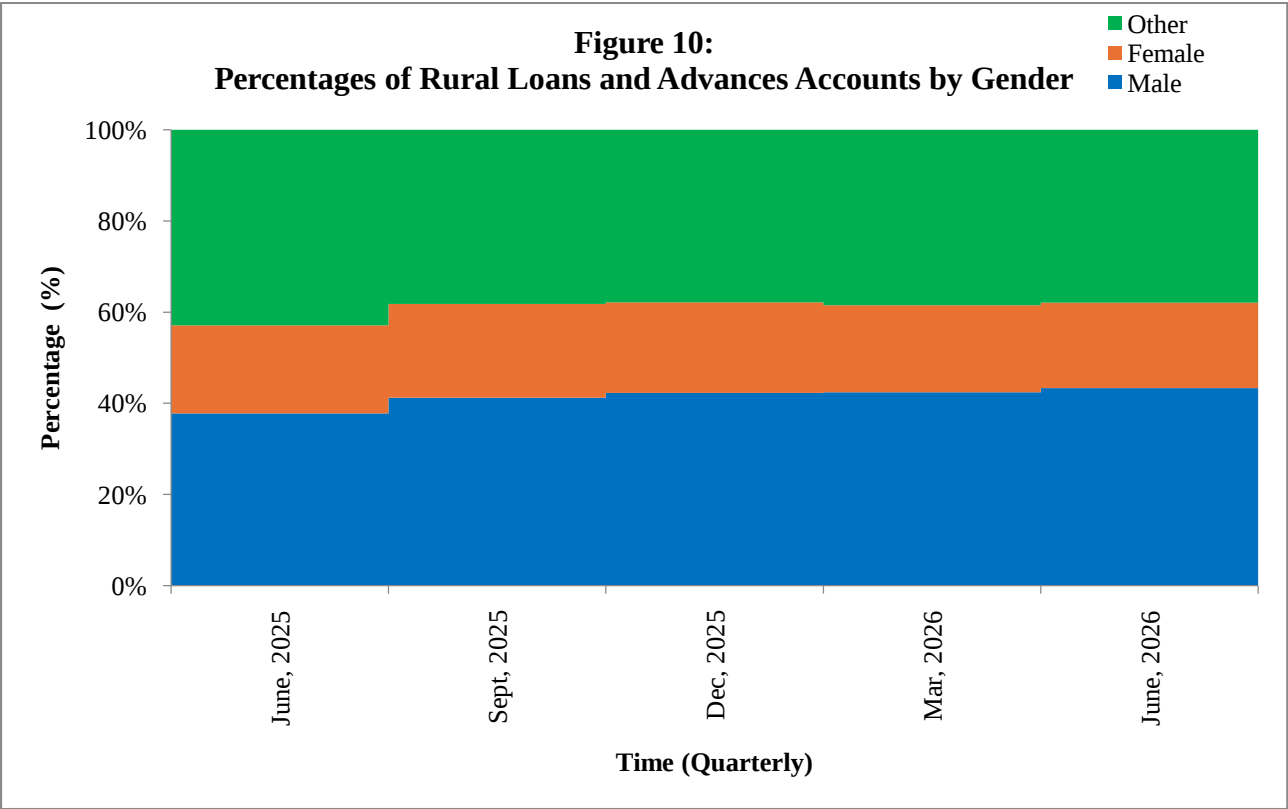
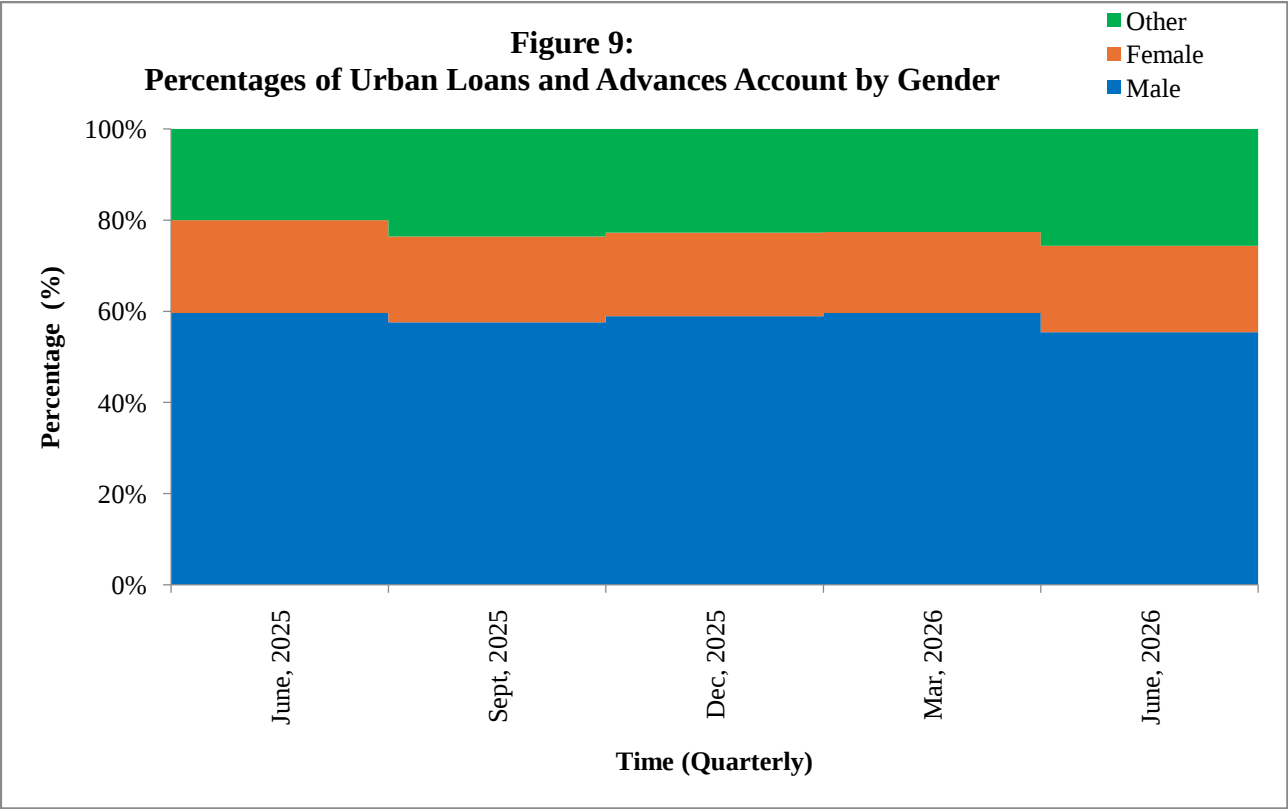


Figure 11: District-wise Number of Sub-branches (As on June, 2026)

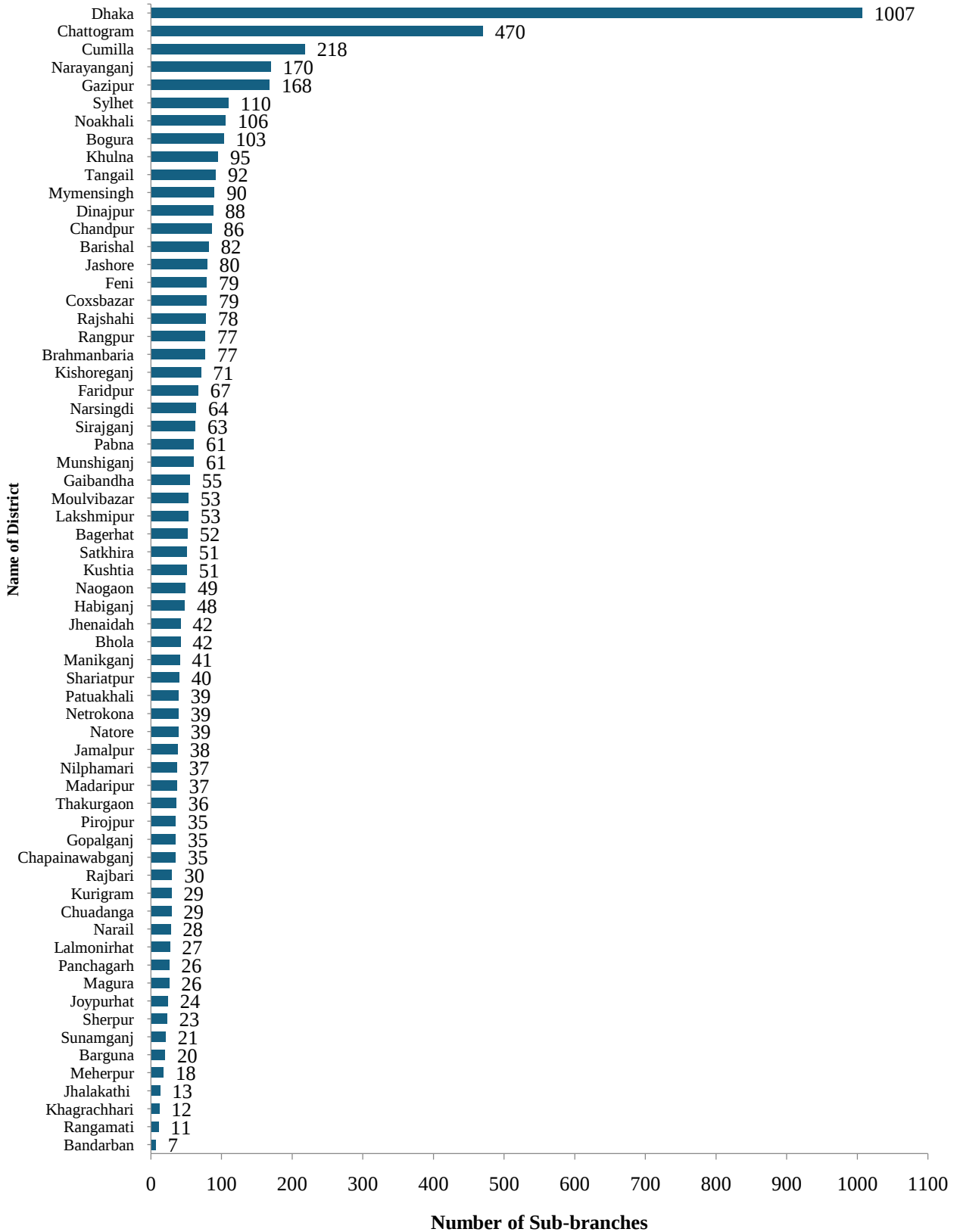
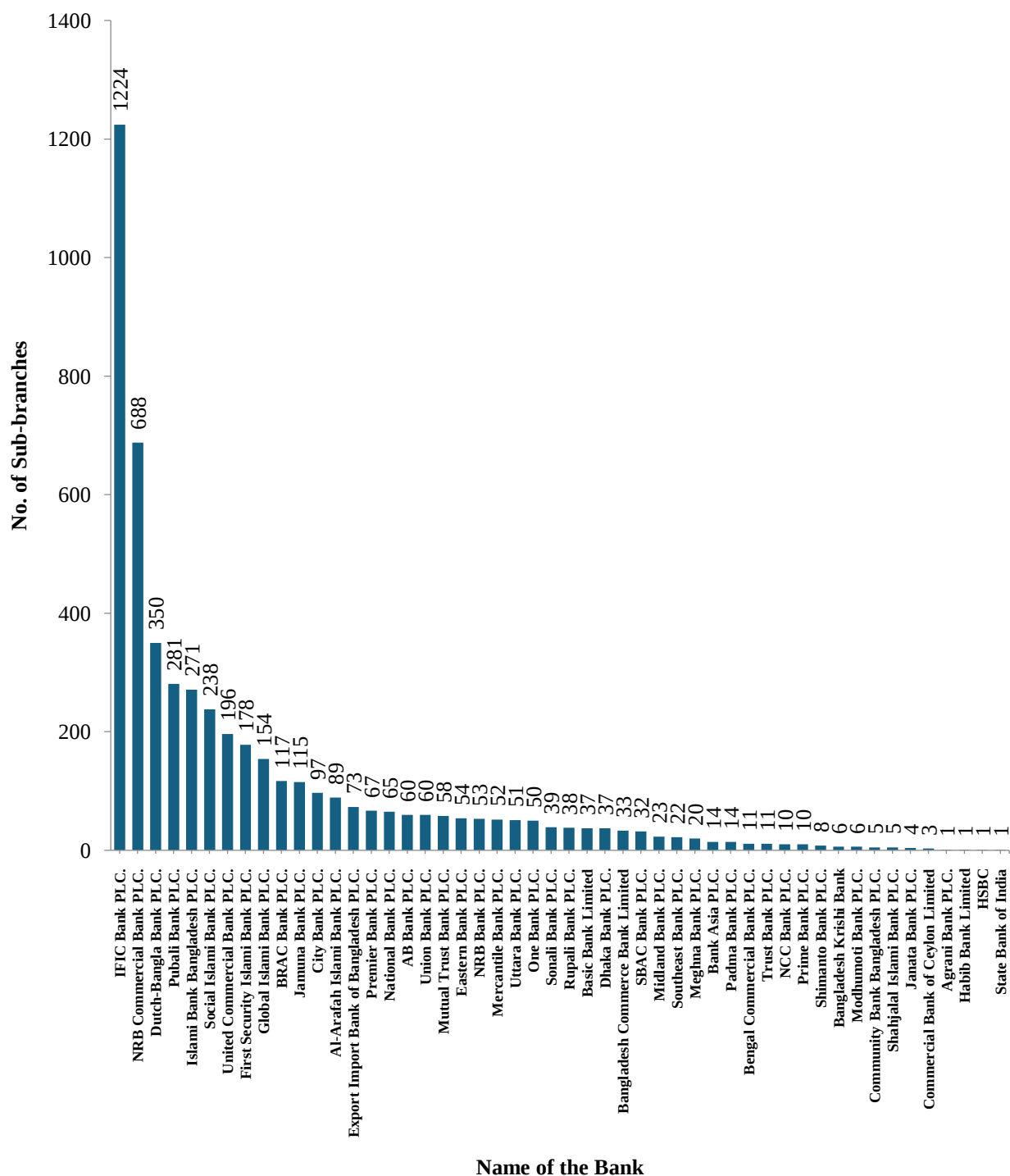


Figure 12: Bank-wise Number of Sub-branches (As on June, 2026)



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