

HDFC BANK LTD
Form 6-K
May 20, 2008

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Form 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 under the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of May, 2008

Commission File Number__001-15216

HDFC BANK LIMITED

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

HDFC Bank House, Senapati Bapat Marg,

Lower Parel, Mumbai. 400 013, India

(Address of principal executive office)

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F Form 40-F

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Yes No

If Yes is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82- Not Applicable.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

HDFC BANK LIMITED

(Registrant)

Date: 20th May 2008

By /s/ Vinod Yennemadi

Name: Vinod Yennemadi

Title: Country Head Finance, Taxation,

Administration and Secretarial

EXHIBIT INDEX

The following documents (bearing the exhibit number listed below) are furnished herewith and are made a part of this Report pursuant to the General Instructions for Form 6-K.

Exhibit I

Description

Communication dated 20th May 2008 addressed to The New York Stock Exchange, New York, United States of America (USA) regarding amalgamation of Centurion Bank of Punjab Limited with HDFC Bank Limited.

20th May 2008

The New York Stock Exchange,

New York

USA

Dear Sir,

Sub : Amalgamation of Centurion Bank of Punjab Limited with HDFC Bank Limited

We wish to inform you that the Reserve Bank of India vide its Order dated 20th May 2008 has approved the Scheme of Amalgamation of Centurion Bank of Punjab Limited with HDFC Bank Limited. The Scheme of Amalgamation shall come into effect from May 23, 2008. A copy of the said Order is enclosed herewith which is self-explanatory.

This is for your information and records.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

For HDFC Bank Limited

Sd/-

Sanjay Dongre

Executive Vice President (Legal) &

Company Secretary

Encl: a/a

