

Ujjivan flotation in demand

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Mumbai, May 2: The initial public offering (IPO) of Ujjivan Financial Services (Ujjivan) was subscribed nearly 41 times.

Ujjivan, which has secured an in-principle approval from the RBI to start a small finance bank, is one of the largest microfinance players in the country. Its offering, which opened on April 28 and closed today, received bids for over 120 crore shares against the total issue size of 2.96 crore shares.

Data available from the NSE showed that the qualified institutional buyers (QIBs) bid for over 16.44 crore shares against 85.28 lakh shares reserved for them.

On the other hand, the quota for non-institutional investors saw bids for 37.17 crore shares, which was nearly 59 times the number of shares (63.40 lakh) offered for that category. The retail portion was also subscribed nearly two times as there were bids for over 2.31 crore shares against 1.47 crore shares reserved.

On the BSE, while the QIB portion was subscribed nearly 15 times, the non-institutional investors category was subscribed over 76 times and the retail portion by 2.41 times.

Ujjivan's offering, comprises fresh issue of shares of Rs 358.16 crore and an offer for sale of up to 24,968,332 shares by the existing shareholders.

The price band for the offer has been fixed at Rs 207-210 per share.