

MOBILE BANKING: A POTENTIAL CATALYST FOR FINANCIAL INCLUSION AND GROWTH IN PAKISTAN

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Motivation came through this conference

First paper in the series of three envisaged

First attempt to trace and compile the history of MB in Pakistan

We study various models of MB in Pakistan

How industry is evolving

What kind of ecosystem is needed to utilize its full potential (Policy Recommendations)

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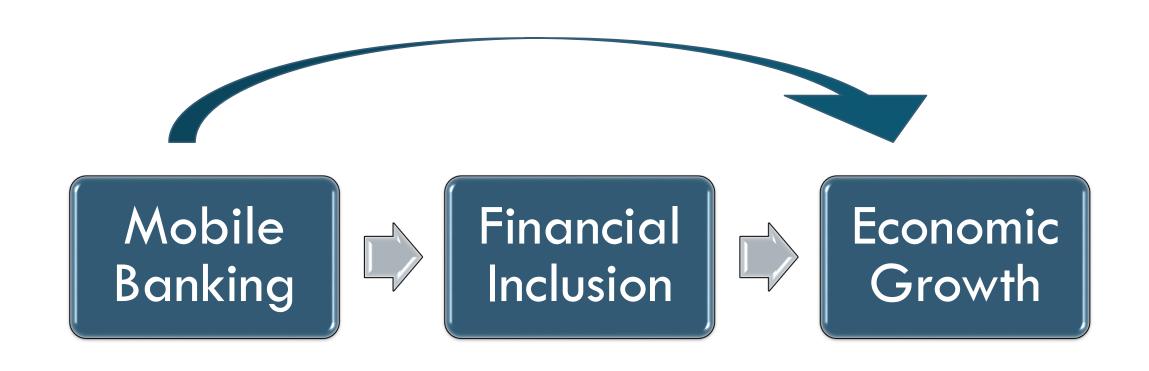
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IN THE PRETEXT OF TECHNOLOGY LED GROWTH



FINANCIAL INCLUSION

Credit Facilities

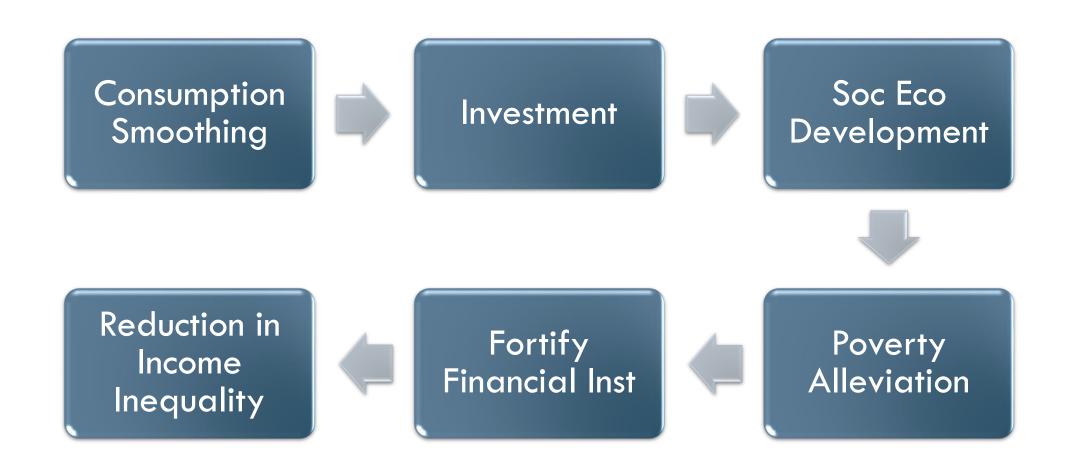
Savings

Bank Accounts

Insurance Services

Payment Transfer

FI STRENGTHENS SAVINGS-INVESTMENT CHANNEL



CURRENT STATE OF FINANCIAL INCLUSION

No Bank Account: Half of the world's <u>adult</u> population, approximately <u>2.5 billion</u>

Pakistan: Lowest Rank in South Asia (13% Adults have Bank Account)

Srilanka (83%)

India (53%)

Nepal (34%)

Bhutan (34%)

Bangla Desh (31%)

Sub Saharan Africa (34%)

Latin America (51%)

Developing Nations (51%)

MOBILE BANKING- FINANCIAL INCLUSION-TRANSFORMATION OF ECONOMIES

Role of Mobile Phones

Digital Wallet

Fund Transfer

Loan repayments and receipt

Utility bill payments

Savings etc

MOBILE BANKING- FINANCIAL INCLUSION-TRANSFORMATION OF ECONOMIES

Diffusion around the world – amazing speed – disruptive power

- M- Money Applications popularity in Asia, Africa and Latin America
- M-Pesa in Kenya enabling individuals as well as firms

BENEFITS

Transactions without having to visit the Branch

Increased efficiency – time saving – eradication of space limitations

Substitute of Bank Branch and ATM Network

People in distant areas can gain access to formal financial services

Cost savings for bank's management while running branch

MOBILE BANKING: LINKS WITH GROWTH

Direct links through Various channels

- Increased output growth and employment creation
- Better firm productivity
- Improved Capital Accumulation
- **Reduced Transaction Costs**
- And of course better functioning of market and financial inclusion

MOBILE BANKING IN PAKISTAN — REGULATORY VIEW

Termed by SBP as BB

Bank-Led Model with Ultimate Accountability irrespective of other partners regulatory stakes

Bank and Agent relationship through JV is allowed

BB CHANNELS

OTC

Most widely used

Retailer based

Work Under Super Agent (Telco)

M-Wallet

Reduced reliance of Retailers (commission, commitment)

Tremendous opportunities but slow paced

EVOLUTION OF MB IN PAKISTAN

2006: CGAP's Branchless Banking Diagnostic Assessment and Seminars by SBP and ADB

2007: SBP's Policy paper and draft for BB Guidelines

2008: BB Regulations issued by SBP

2009: Easy Paisa and MCB Mobile Unveiled

2010: UBL Launched Omni

2011: G2P Conference, Revised BB Reg, Smart Card for G2P payments (BISP, EOBI), Waseela MF Bank by Orascom

EVOLUTION OF MB IN PAKISTAN

2012: Timepay, Mobicash, Insurance and Saving Schemes by Easypaisa

2013: HBL Express with NADRA, U-Paisa (90 thousand Agents), Breeze by SCB, Mobile Paisa by Warid and Bank Alfalah

2014: BOP and Zong, IBFT using 1 link by Easypaisa, Gold Committee and Sahulat Bazaar with ARY and most importantly SERP (stipend to girls), Int. Remmit, Ufone and NBP for PM Youth B Loans, Mobicash to expand Bait ul Mal Child sup prog

EVOLUTION OF MB IN PAKISTAN

2015: implementation of the agent-biometric infrastructure at agent locations,

National Financial Inclusion Strategy launched

Straight2Bank Wallet mobile application for Corp(EzPe-SCB)

Payment of passport fess through Mobicash Mobile wallets

Islamic Branchless Banking launched

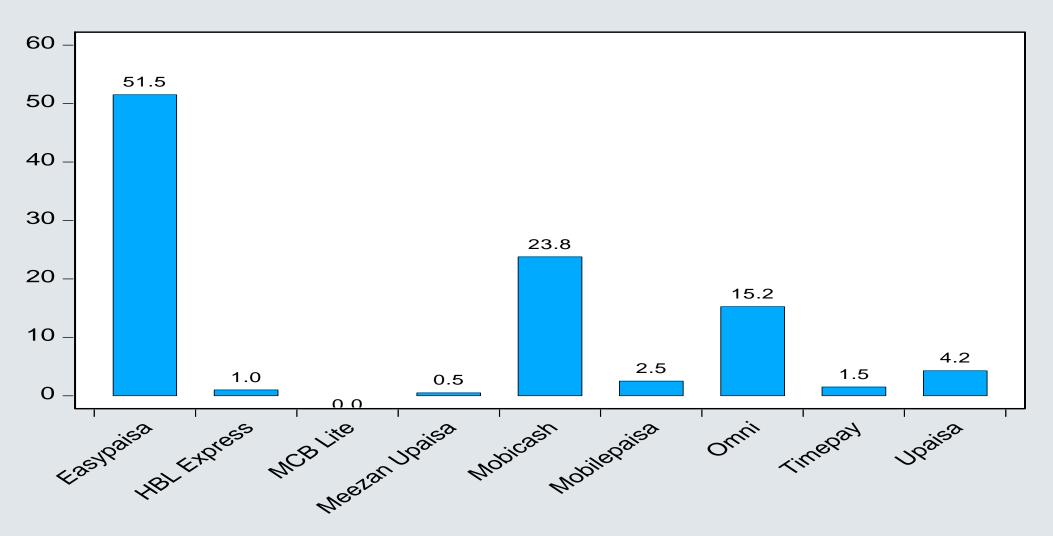
Warid acquired by Mobilink

2016: PayPak by ABL, Entry of Meezan Bank

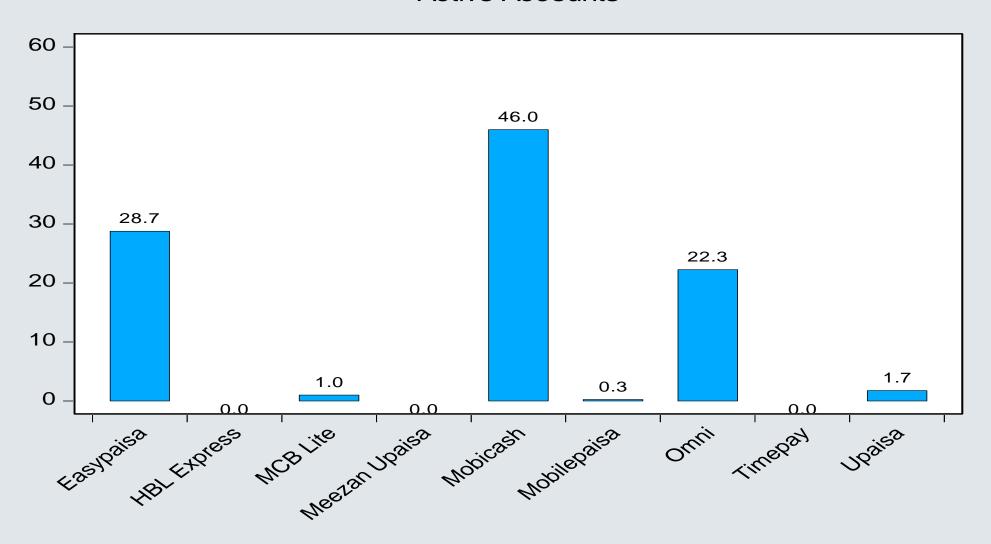
INDUSTRY PLAYERS

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Bank,	Ufone-	Zong	la,	Warid	nance	Warid	Applica
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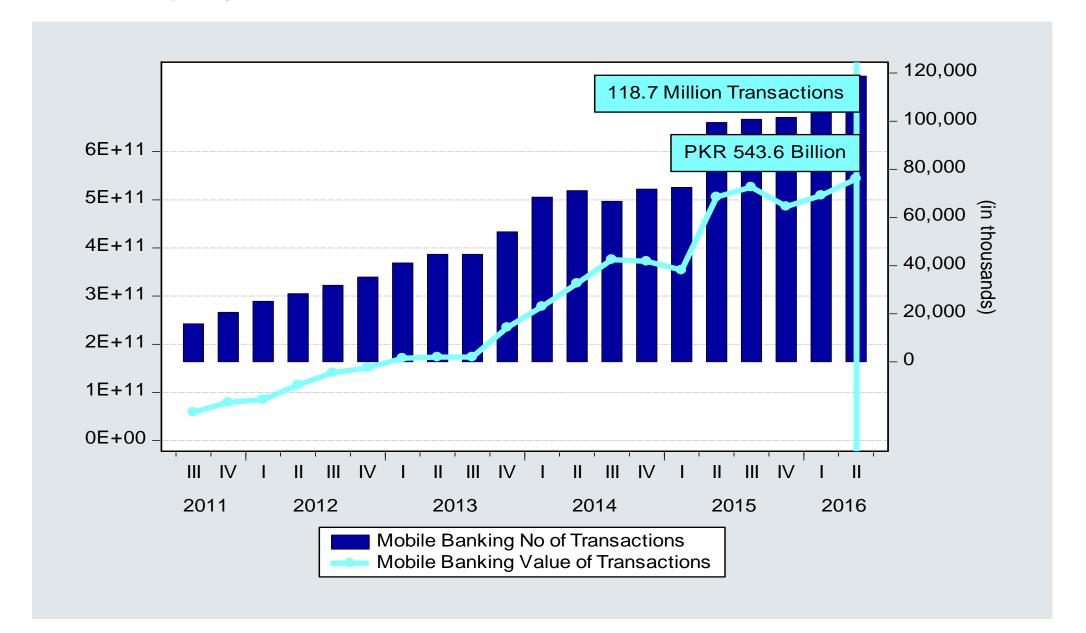
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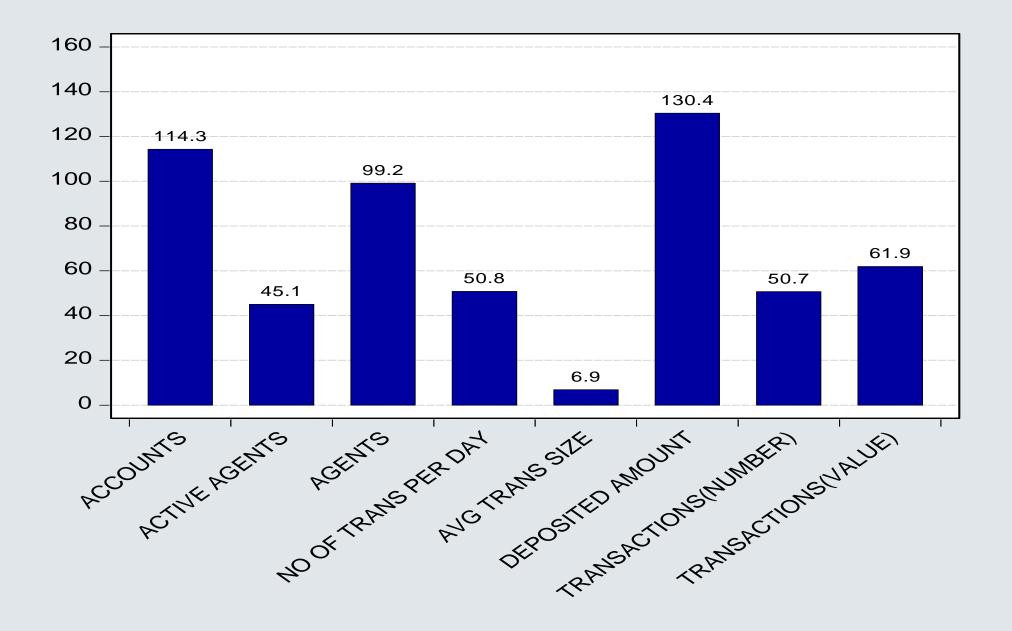


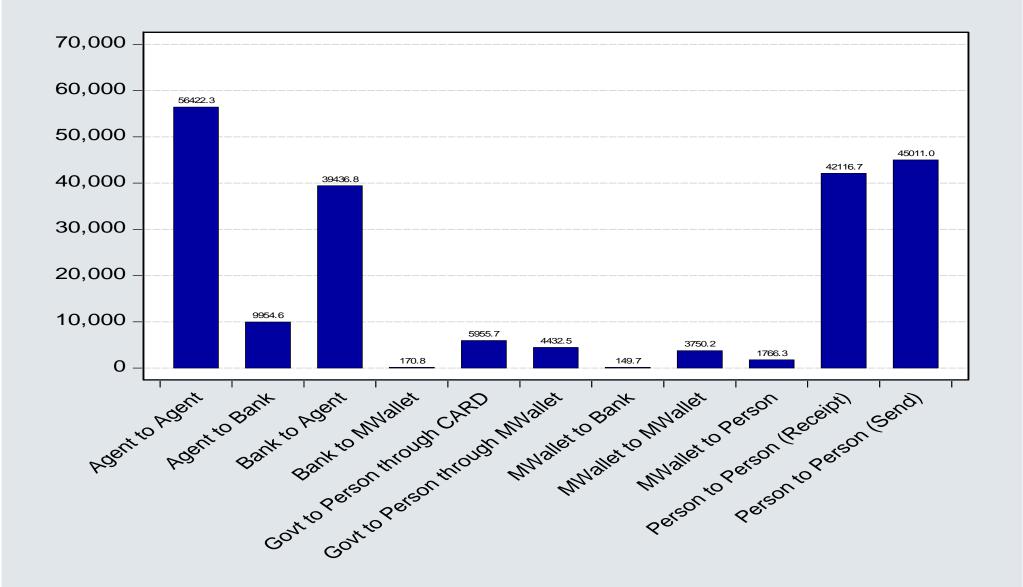
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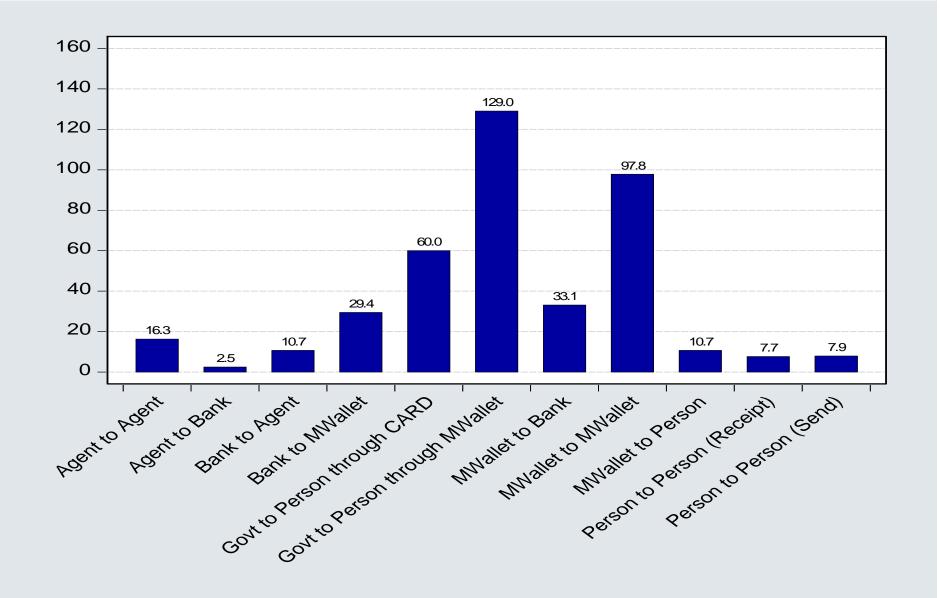


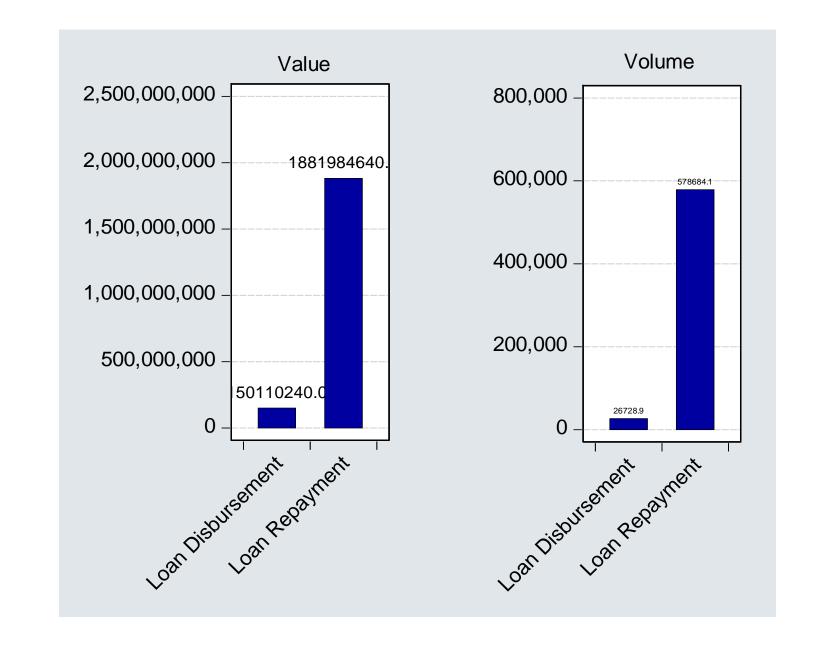
HOW BIG IS THE MARKET











WHAT KIND OF ECOSYSTEM IS NEEDED? POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS

Need to remove frictions in regulatory and financial structure

Permissibility of limited number of models which are bank led

•Industry is dominated by Telcos (Agents, Technology)

Innovation

 Current focus is on payment solution that too partially. Tap GtoP (BISP and EOBI)

WHAT KIND OF ECOSYSTEM IS NEEDED?

Low penetration in Loan Disbursement

Gender gap (int 7%, PK 11%)

Saving Culture (Lowest)

Diffusion and Awareness of Insurance (only 1%)

MOBILE BANKING HELPED ME CONVERTING "CAKE INTO CASH"! FATIMA TANVEER

"Sugar n Spice" a home baking venture

Payment transfer through Easypaisa

Support the idea of Women Entrepreneurship

Simple business model and its execution

Reduce Gender gap

Foster inclusive growth by bringing 50% of our population

Sustainable economic growth by encouraging SMEs

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