Blockchain Based

# DECENTRALIZED LOAN SYSTEM.

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### 1. Abstract

**Decentralized Loan System** is designed to address real world problems faced by 'Loan Systems' within a specific institution. The purpose of the paper is to demonstrate the benefits of **Interest Free** loans within a society. While – this kind of system is majorly based on a peer to peer system, we also introduce 'Admin' or 'Administrator' for uninterrupted operations within the institution. There are three major actors within the loan system –

Elite – They are responsible for lending funds in good faith within the institution.

*Needy* – They request for loan as per need.

Admin – They overlook the operations performed within the institution.

The paper also explains in depth the concept of **transparency** which is sometimes missing within these institutions. **Decentralized Loan System** is based on a **Blockchain** system to address this issue. Blockchain being **immutable** offers the stake holders the ability to *audit* all the transactions.

Also, the paper describes in detail – the **right to vote** which is bestowed upon the stake holders. This empowers them to take decisions as to who shall be granted loan, what amount shall be granted and what shall be the repayment term.

While, the loan is based on an **Interest Free** system – however collateral must be required at all times. The paper also explains, if the collateral offered is not sufficient how can the needy be still benefited from the Loan System.

In the end, the paper also talks about the future scope and benefits of using this kind of system.

### **Major Software Modules:**

- 1. Loan Request / Loan Dispersal / Loan Repayment Smart Contract.
- 2. Collateral / Mortgage Smart Contract.
- 3. Voting Smart Contract.
- 4. Audit Smart Contract.

### 2. Introduction

Decentralized Loan System specifically considers example of one particular 'private institution.'

This segment of the paper explicitly tries to explain the working of that institution. Though, it might be presumed at first instance that this is a very specific problem solution catering to very specific audience, but this idea can be well expanded to fit in a number of scenarios.

However, please note given the great use-case of this institution and its ability; it may be used or replicated at a greater extent by any other institution.

### Goals and Objectives

- Introduction of paperless system for loan application.
- Introduction of paperless system for loan mortgage.
- Trustless system to distribute loan amount.
- Decentralized system for loan recovery / loan repayment.
- Decentralized voting system for non-collateral loan sanction.
- Trustless system for loan repayment.

#### Purpose of the paper

The paper is specifically written for a particular institution. However, given the great use case – this paper tends to solve problems which can be bifurcated into different components which can be used individually to solve other problems.

### Components:

- Paperless system.
- Trustless authentication.
- Unbiased decisions.
- Transparent function.

### 3. Working of existing system

The 'private institution' mentioned above – works in the following ways:

There are three major *actors* in the existing loan process constituted by the private institution.

#### Administrative Department

#### Actor 1:

Let's consider this actor to be "Administrative Department" also referred as admin throughout the document which consist of the following features.

- a. Advertising for donating funds and increasing the pool of funds available.
- b. Managing the funds that is returning the funds to lending parties as and when required.
- c. Allocating the funds to borrowers depending on the predefined parameters.

#### Loan Borrower

#### Actor 2:

Let's consider this actor to be "Loan Borrower" also referred as *needy* throughout the document which consist of the following features.

- a. (S)He will request for certain amount of money depending on the need of the *needy*.
- b. Based on the predefined parameters, the allocation is done by the trustees to *needy*.
- c. The *needy* are subjected to submit collateral as defined by the *admin* department.

#### Loan Lender

#### Actor 3:

Let's consider this actor to be "Loan Lender" also referred as *elite* throughout the document which consist of the following features.

- a. (S)He will lend the funds and agree upon fund withdrawal rules.
- b. (S)He will request for the sum of the money as and when required by the *elite*.

### 4. Understanding the system

### **Needy Perspective**

The *needy* will request for certain amount of money – depending upon the nature of the need. The *needy* will then submit all the necessary documents which demonstrate the 'actual need' of the *needy*. Then the *needy* is required to submit a detailed plan of how (s)he plans to return the money to the institution within given frame of time. Apart from all these details – the *needy* is required to submit a collateral of the loan. This collateral should be such, that it exceeds the value of the loan being issued. If, for any reason, the *needy* is unable to repay the loan; the collateral would be responsible for loan repayment.

Also, an important perspective to consider – the loan issued by the institution is **100% interest free**. Also, there are no "service" or other "hidden cost." Hence, the repayment of the entire loan amount will be same as the amount borrowed. Also, if the *needy* defaults the loan amount – steps are taken as described by the guidelines of the institution.

### Elite Perspective:

The *elite* will willingly give or offer certain amount of money to the pool to facilitate the institution to lend the money to people in need. While doing so the *elite* agrees to the general conditions laid down by the institution. The *elite* may hold the money with the institution for indefinite amount of time. If needed, the *elite* can request the money from the institution. The institution promises to repay the full amount requested within 3 to 7 business days. Also, since this is no interest scheme, the *elite* gets only the amount he had submitted initially. Hence, this should not be considered as a means of making profits or earning money; but purely as social cause done in good faith. Also, there are provisions to offer money in this pool recursively every month.

### Admin Perspective

They are responsible for advertising the ideology so more and more people offer money in the pool. Once *needy* request for money, they check all the documents and necessary credentials. This is similar to running a complete credit check. They also manage timely repayment to *elite* as and when they demand. Also, they allocate the funds based on their discretion and availability of collateral.

Fig: Traditional loan system – Class Diagram

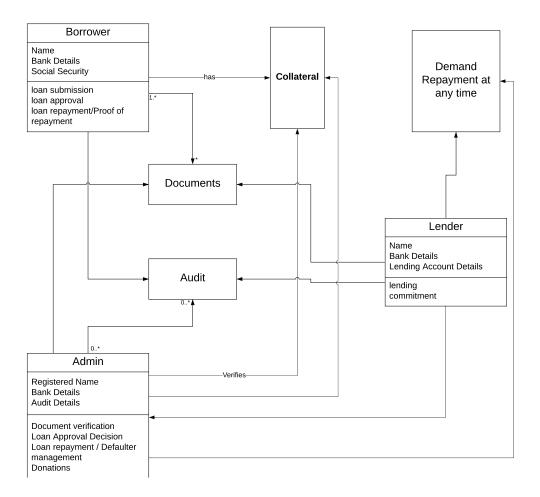
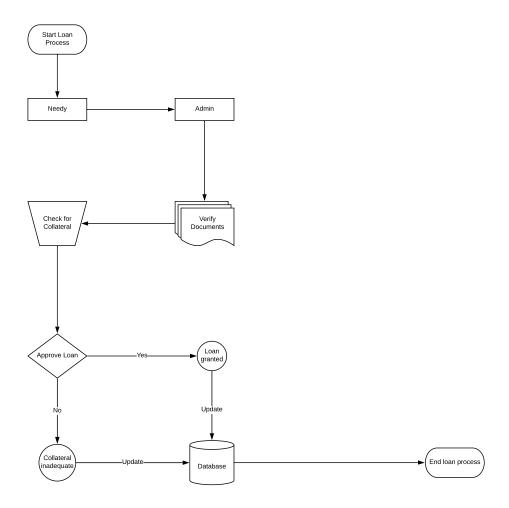


Fig: Traditional loan system – Flow chart



### 5. Area of Improvement

This is a very crucial part of the paper – as most of the parts described here will serve as the 'solution' to 'special problem.'

Before we define – the areas where the model can be improved let's consider the factors which influence these 'area of improvement.' We will define two perspective that is – one of the *elite* and other of *needy*. These serve as the foundation to the solution proposed in this paper. However, it should also be noted that – these perspectives only serve as a guideline or suggestion and not all ideas can be implemented in the solution.

### Needy Perspective:

The entire process should be more transparent – especially if the *needy* is being denied the loan amount.

They should be given the option of 'no collateral' loan option – only if the stake holders agree to it.

#### Elite Perspective:

They should have 'on demand' transparency. The *elite* should have a right to 'vote' as to where and how the funds are being used. Note – The right to vote is a very subjective feature. Later parts of the paper explain in depth the concept of voting.

Also, the *elite* are able to see on demand every request made to the institution and other details. The transparency is subjective and not everything is revealed to the elite. Note – The paper also explains the reason for subjective transparency in later parts.

### Admin Perspective

The funds collected in existing system is stored, managed and distributed locally. The decision made by committee to allocate these funds have little or no influence from central authority. We try to implement a way in which existing resources can be pooled – especially in same geographic location as country. This will make efficient use of more resources. However, this 'use' is strictly defined using guidelines and standards explained in later parts of paper.

### 6. Solution

In this part of the paper we focus on solving the existing problems defined in 'area of improvement.'

We distribute the definition of solution as described in area of improvement.

The solution we offer is majorly focused on 'Blockchain based solution.' This segment of the paper evaluates how Blockchain can solve all existing concerns raised by respective actors. A supplement to this segment is comparison between Blockchain technology and other technologies and why Blockchain is better apt for this situation.

#### **Needy Perspective**

Blockchain in general makes the entire transaction more transparent and open. One of the major uses at this stage – is for auditing which solves one of the concerns of the needy.

Once – the needy is rejected a loan, he/she can ask for a non-collateral loan from the stake holders.

Here – the stake holders (typically 5 – depends largely on the amount to be dispersed) can vote for dispersing the loan to the needy. Note: if the amount exceeds the defined amount for loan disperse without a collateral - then the Chairman of the committee may be needed to invoke.

If the needy fails to repay the said amount in said time – he/she may be permanently or temporarily banned from using the loan service.

Also, the stake holders who voted for the respective needy may lose the credibility of voting and would have to pay the amount as defined by the management.

#### Elite Perspective

Blockchain solution makes the entire transaction transparent- readily available to view at any given point of time.

Elite has a right to vote – however they might need to hold responsibility for the same. This feature is again subjective – depending on the credibility of user. (Credibility can be defined by member since how long, amount invested, etc.) The elite can also see – all the request which were made by needy – which we were approved, and which were rejected. However, personal information such as name or SSN are secured.

The elite may also demand – a in detail reason as to why a certain loan was rejected or certain amount was approved.

### Admin Perspective.

The admin may have time to time events in order to promote this kind of system. Also, it may request money from other pools within a geographical location or may also donate to other pools if necessary. This requires necessary approvals. Also, in certain cases it may need approval from central authority.

Fig: Decentralized loan system – Loan request and approval

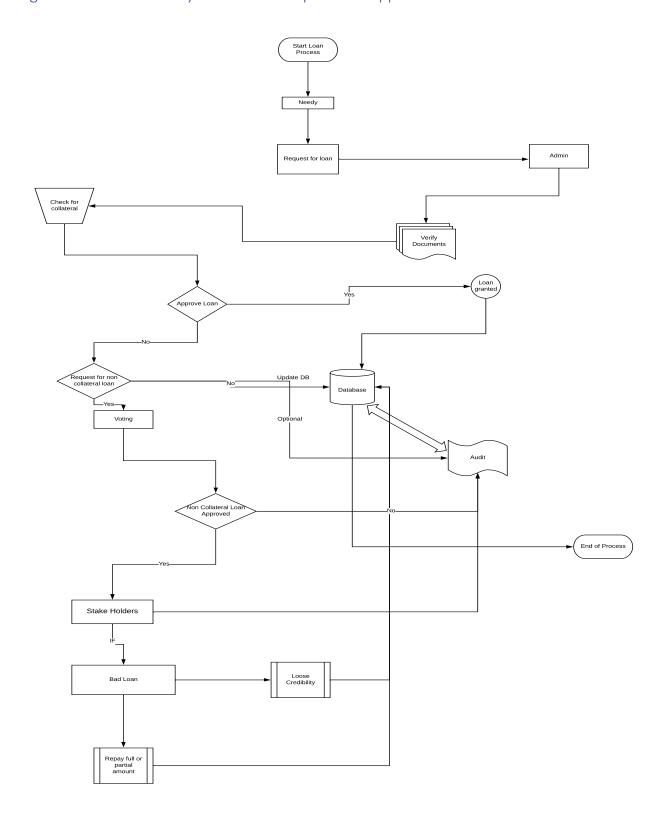


Fig: Decentralized loan system – Repayment of loan

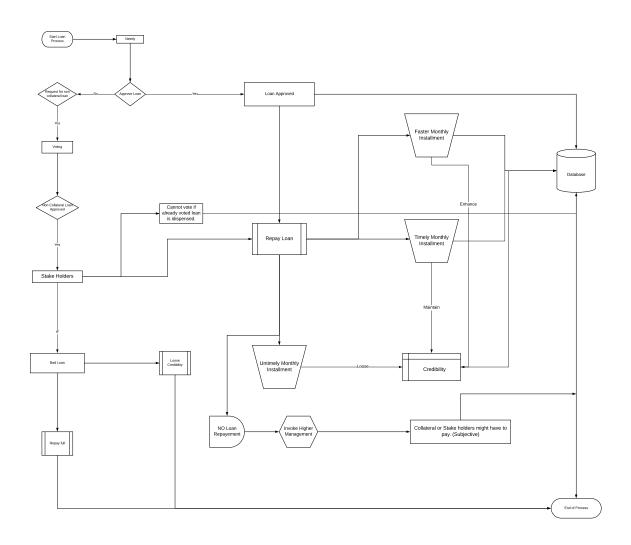
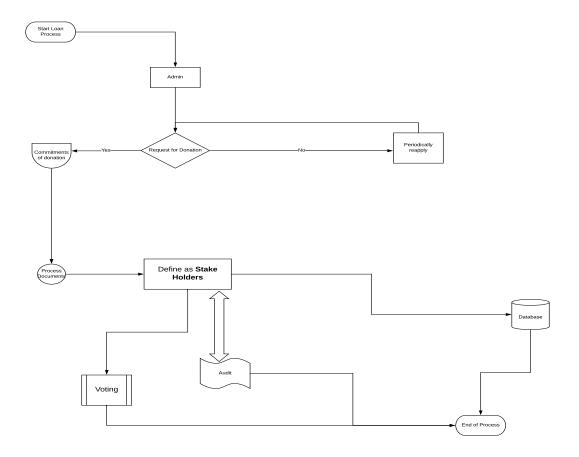


Fig: Decentralized loan system – Donation



### 7. Use Case

#### Use case development methodology

The paper describes the use cases of Decentralized Loan System in the following way.

### Loan Approved / Loan Rejected:

The idea behind developing these use cases is very simple – based on the documents like collateral and credit check the admin can decide to grant or reject loan. Consider the loan is approved – however, it may be less than what was anticipated. Hence, it may also be treated as loan rejected.

When a loan is rejected (or less than anticipated) the needy can demand a detailed analysis of why the loan was rejected. In certain cases, the needy may demand for a voting.

### Loan Rejected – Voting:

As mentioned in previous use case, if the loan is rejected the needy may demand a voting. Depending on various circumstances – for e.g.: nature of the loan, previous loan history, etc. the stake holders may reject or approve the request of voting.

#### Loan Defaulted:

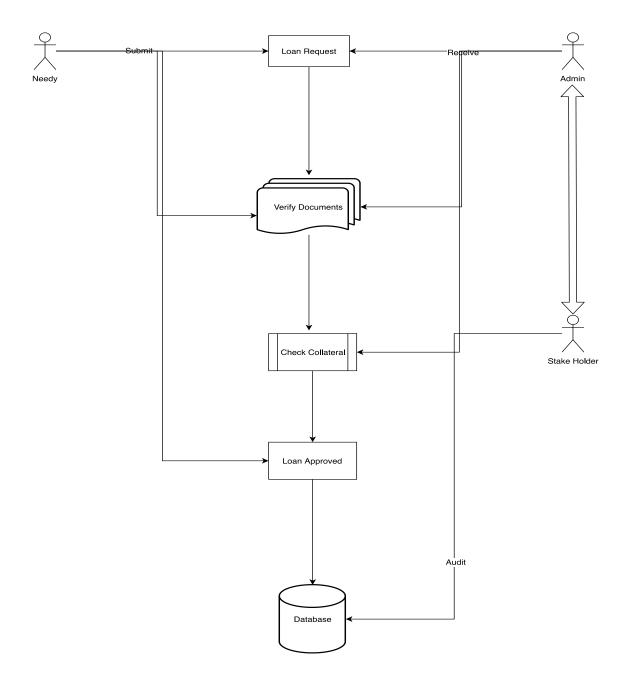
Another perspective which comes into picture is what happens when the loan is defaulted. In certain situations (depending upon the consensus of the stake holders), the loan installment may be relaxed for certain period. Also, the stake holders may unanimously decide to waive loan or a part of loan.

Additionally, if the stake holders had approved a non-collateral loan – who should be held responsible for the default.

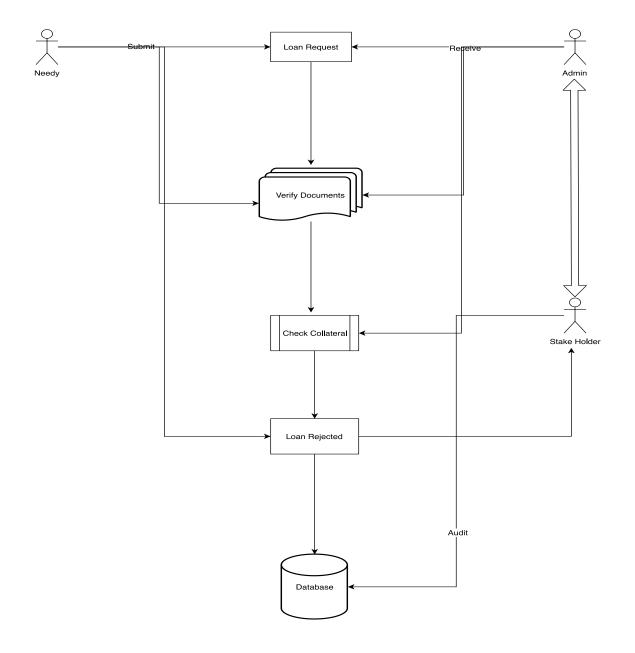
#### Fund Withdrawal:

This is the last use case which defines how the stake holders may withdraw funds from the institution. However, the institution may promote various methodology to hold more funds for a longer period within the institution.

Case 1: Loan Approved

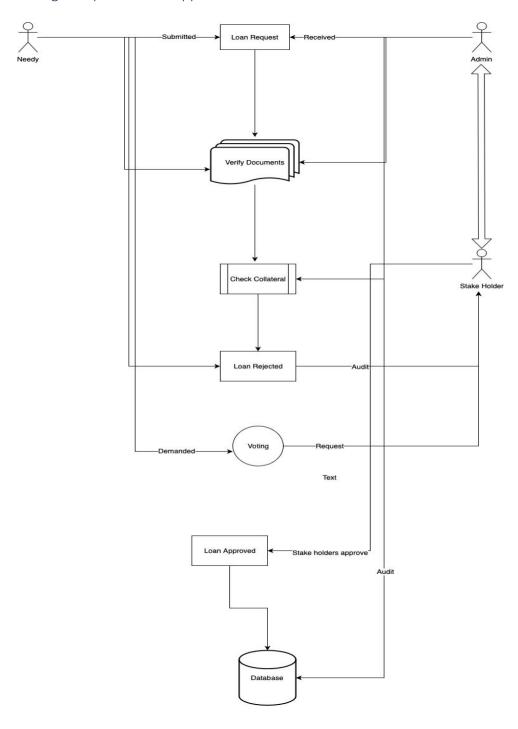


Case 2: Loan Rejected

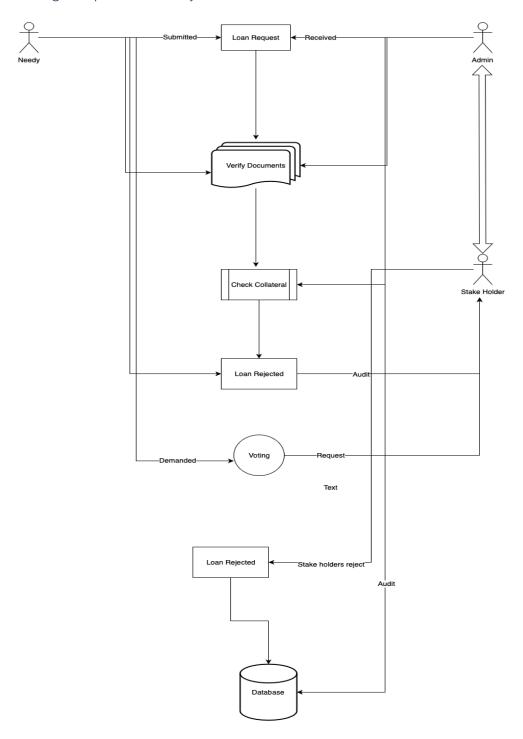


Case 3: Loan Rejected – Voting Demanded

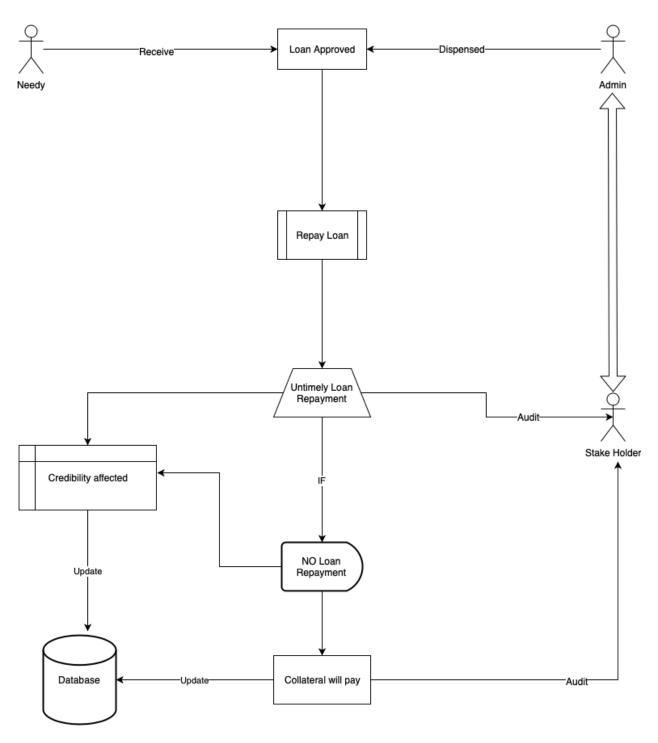
### Voting Accepted – Loan Approved



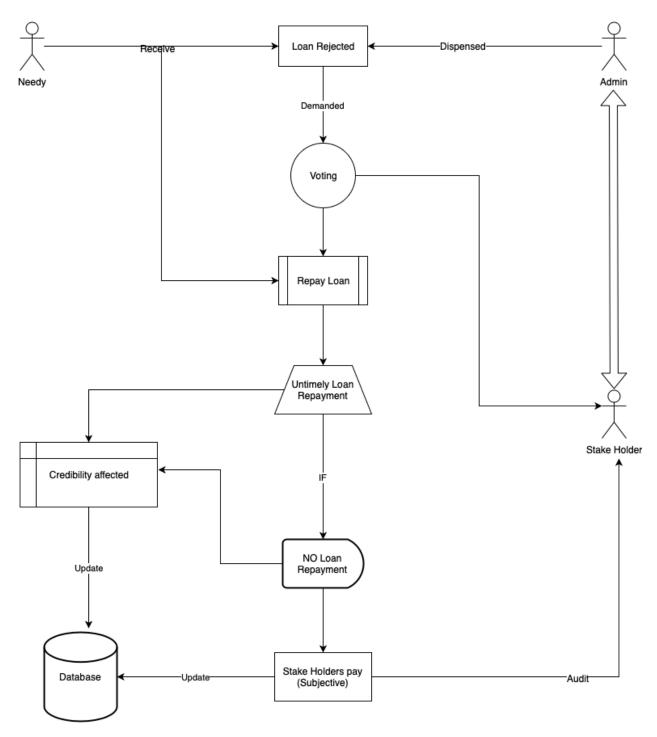
### Voting Accepted – Loan Rejected



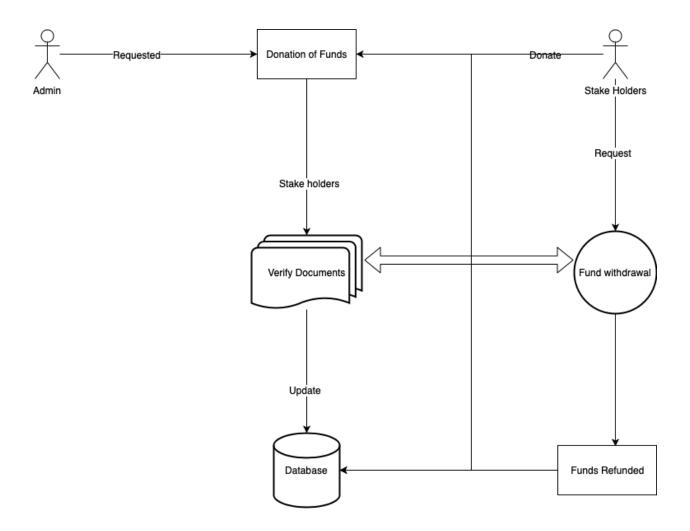
Case 4: Loan Defaulted



Case 5: Loan Defaulted after voting



Case 6: Donation / Withdrawal of funds



### 8. Software Codes

Main Code – Decentralized Loan System

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progna solidity *0.4.0;

contact driver {
    uint TimeStart; //time stamp of the block
    //constructor
    function driver() public payable {
        //mestartenow;
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return (link[link[master_address].ref_1].social, link[link[master_address].ref_2].social, link[link[master_address].ref_3].social, link[link[master_address].ref
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function displayAllowedForLoan() constant returns(address[]){

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Mortgage Code (Collateral) – Decentralized Loan System

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### Voting Code – Decentralized Loan System

### Migration Code – Decentralized Loan System

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### **Future Scope**

There are three improvements which can be made in the near future which will facilitate more and more participants to take benefit of the system.

- 1. Increase the trust between stake holders so that more and more participants contribute money into the pool.
- 2. Stake holders should be incentivized so that they keep money for much longer period of time.
- 3. Formation of a central pool depending upon geographical location and or other parameters.

Consider a scenario which may be implemented in future.

If person A – donates money in the pool recursively over a long period of time. At the end of the tenure the amount is now \$1,00,000. Now person A requires the said amount for his child (B's) education. However instead of withdrawing the money from the pool – person A takes a loan of the said amount from organization. Now, the said amount of person A acts like a collateral for the loan. However, while the loan is not completely repaid – person A does not enjoy the right to vote. After B completes his study – he can repay the loan as defined by the guidelines of the institution. After the completion of the tenure – the lock upon A's amount is withdrawn and A can enjoy his amount.

Hence, at the end – B is able to pursue education without utilizing his father's money.

This example can be applied to number of different scenarios. Loan against the existing amount within the system may serve to be a great way of retaining funds and utilizing the money.

The central pool mentioned above might work in the following way:

The institutions within a geographical location may maintain a pool of funds. The members of this central pool are mandated to lend funds to the central pool. This central pool might be useful if — another institution within the pool may lack money. The funds lent to the central pool may differ from institution to institution.

Different parameters of fund lending may be:

- a. The ratio of funds lent by elite to the funds being allocated to the needy.
- b. The duration for which the funds are being held by the institution.

The central pool may allocate funds depending upon the priority – for e.g.: an institution within the central pool which has to repay a stake holder might be given priority over an institution which just needs funds for maintaining its minimum fund balance.

The stake holders for the central pool maybe admins from the member institution and also elite members – depending upon their score.

### Conclusion

The paper describes the problem statement and working of existing system. Then the paper lays down the limitations and area of improvement within the system. Based on these limitations – the paper proposes a solution with the help of class diagrams, use cases and software code. In the end, the paper describes the future scope of the project.

Also, each of the modules described in the paper – for e.g.: Paperless system, Trustless authentication, Unbiased decisions and Transparent function can be implemented as individual system or can be integrated with other existing system.

### Area of Improvement

- Once stake holders reject the request of loan and/or voting can a need reapply if yes how and what is the criteria.
- Another major concern is how can the stake holders be put in a controlled environment so that they cannot abuse their scope of voting or decision making. For e.g.: If a group of people amongst the stake holders have inclination towards certain individuals and/or organizations they might approve/waive the loan without adequate inquiry or collateral. This expression of personal interest might make the authenticity of loan process dubious.
- Once a loan has been defaulted (non-collateral) and or waived off who is responsible for the repayment of the loan amount. Stake holders might be held accountable for these activities.

#### Solution (Future Steps)

- The institution also has the facility of donation within the system. This amount can be exclusively used for repaying loan defaults and loan waivers. However, it should be considered that such activities might promote self-interest and hence abuse the trust within the institution.
- A score is maintained within the institution which defines the credit worthiness of an individual. This score might be directly affected in case a loan is defaulted or installment is missed. Also, the stake holders may be incentivized and penalized for good voting and bad voting respectively.

Additionally, once a stake holder votes – his voting capacity might be restricted.

The institution can promote methodologies to retain the funds within the
institution for a longer period of time. This can be achieved by a number of
ways which may include – incentivizing stake holders with a good score for
maintaining the amount or if the stake holder needs the money – (s)he may
be given a loan instead of complete withdrawal of funds.

### **Appendix**

#### **Definitions**

#### 1. Decentralized Loan System

This is a Blockchain based application of the loan system which tries to migrate traditional systems on to Blockchain.

### 2. Existing System

This typically defines the 'non-profit' organization for which this system was defined.

#### 3. Administrative Department / Admin

They are responsible for allocating loan, managing funds and requesting funds.

#### 4. Loan Borrower / Needy

They are the people who request for the loan from the system.

#### 5. Loan Lender / Elite

They are the people who donate funds into the system.

#### 6. Blockchain v/s Other System

The paper makes it very much clear as to why Blockchain based solution is used as compared to any other technology. Following are the most notable reasons –

- a. Blockchain is immutable hence cannot be altered or manipulated.
- b. There is on demand transparency which can be leveraged as and when required.
- c. Stake holders can vote for or against approval of a loan.
- d. Managing of funds is relatively easy.

e. There is a trust among the stake holders – which attracts more donations.

#### 7. Vote

Stake holders may enjoy the power of voting. However, it has certain restrictions which are defined here.

- a. The power of the vote is directly proportional to the amount of funds currently secured with the system by the stake holder.
- b. The power of the vote is also dependent upon credibility. If there is a bad loan or delayed repayments the credibility of the stake holder is affected.
- c. Once a stake holder cast his vote he cannot re-vote until the said amount has been completely repaid. (Certain exceptions applied.)

Note: The feature of vote may be superseded by the chairman of the committee at any time.

#### 8. Partial Transparency

Although the participants of this system enjoy transparency at all times — it should be noted that personal information which may reveal the identity of the participant will be not be shared with any member. However, a few members of the admin department may be allowed to view the identity of a person. However, it is mandatory on them to not disclose the information.

Decentralized Loan System – <u>GitHub</u>.

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Collateral Smart Contract

Election Smart Contract

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