

CIRCULAR TO ALL UNITS

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5th August, 2016

Dear Comrades,

◆ **Continue the struggle - Intensify the campaign** ◆ **Fight against emerging attacks and offensives** ◆ **Make 2nd September strike a massive success in all Banks** ◆ **Clarion call from Joint Central Committee of AIBEA and AIBOA**

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Joint Central Committee meeting of AIBEA and AIBOA was held at Hyderabad on 4th and 5th August, 2016 under the joint presidium of Com Rajen Nagar, President AIBEA and Com S S Shisodia, President, AIBOA.

The meeting paid its homage to Com Romesh Chandra, former President of World Peace Council and leaders of our movement Com Sushil Ghose, Com Ramanand, Com Homi Jhaveri, Com P R Thorat, Com M D Karnik, Com. Com. Manandhar Dwivedi and Com Kirit Oza.

Congrats, 29th July strike a grand success: The meeting congratulated the entire rank and file members and all our units under the banner of AIBEA and AIBOA as well as UFBU for making the 29th July, 2016 strike against anti-people banking reforms a tremendous success.

Continue the struggle against retrograde banking reforms: The meeting had a detailed review of the present scenario obtaining in the banking sector, especially the policies being pursued by the Central Government in the name of banking reforms. The meeting came to the conclusion that in persuasion of their policies of economic reforms and neo-liberal measures being dictated by the monopoly capital and corporate sector, the Government is bent on handing over our banks to the private hands besides implementing measures like consolidation, mergers, negation of social orientation, neglect of priority sectors, etc. Since our banks represent the precious savings of the people and public sector banks have the great role to play in taking our economy forward, the meeting decided that, true to the basic ideology of AIBEA and AIBOA, we must continue our struggles and intensify our campaign against all these retrograde banking reforms measures and fight for a pro-people vibrant banking sector.

March on to 2nd Sept. Strike: The meeting welcomed the call given by the Central Trade Unions' Convention for observing a General Strike on 2nd September, 2016 against the anti-worker labour reforms and pledged to make the strike a total success in the banking sector. The meeting exhorted all our units to carry on extensive educative campaign amongst our members about the dangers of the proposed labour reforms of the Government.

Extend all-out support to SSBEA in their struggle against closure of Associate Banks and merger with SBI: The meeting congratulated the SSBEA and employees of Associate Banks for the determined struggle against the proposal to close down Associate Banks and merge them with SBI and decided to extend all support to their continuing struggle.

After full-scale discussion by the participants, the meeting adopted the following Resolutions:

1. Resolution congratulating the units and entire membership for their enthusiastic participation in the 29th July, 2016 strike against banking reform policies.
2. Resolution to undertake campaign and make the 2nd September, 2016 strike against Government's anti-worker labour reforms a total success in all the Banks.
3. Resolution on need to continue and intensify our campaigns and struggles against retrograde banking reforms of privatisation and consolidation.
4. Resolution demanding publication of the list of bank loan defaulters, taking stringent measures to recover the bad loans, terming willful default as criminal offence and stopping the concessions being given to the defaulters.
5. Resolution against closure of Associate Banks and acquisition by SBI.
6. Resolution supporting the campaign and struggle programmes of SSBEA/Associate Bank Unions opposing the closure of their Banks and merger with SBI.
7. Resolution against unfair and illegal actions of SBI / Associate Bank managements in imposing unilateral service conditions on employees in violation of Bipartite settlement and denying genuine demands like enhancement in housing loan limit, compassionate ground appointment scheme as per Govt. guidelines, etc.
8. Resolution against proposed privatisation of IDBI Bank
9. Resolution against vindictive attacks of the management in IDBI Bank against officers for participation the strike programme and for amicable resolution of the issues arising out of suspensions and mass transfers.
10. Resolution against SBI management selling the Education loans to Reliance ARC at a heavy discount and enabling the undue harassment of students.


11. Resolution against attempts of SBI/Associate Bank managements to frustrate and thwart our right to strike and condemning the exparte restrain order by the Court.
12. Resolution condemning the attempts of RBI to defeat the impact of our strike by making the Clearing House to function on strike day.
13. Resolution supporting the demands and struggles of the RRB employees and officers.
14. Resolution supporting the demands of the Co-op. Bank employees and demanding of the Government to exempt profits of co-op. banks from Income tax and withdrawal of Govt. G.O. compelling the co-op. banks to keep their SLR investments only in Government securities against existing facility of investing in SCBs.
15. Resolution demanding the implementation of Tribunal Award and Delhi High Court orders by all the Banks regarding improvements in the commission payment to Daily Deposit Collectors.
16. Resolution demanding of IBA to extend reimbursement of domiciliary treatment expenses of retirees under Medical Insurance Scheme.
17. Resolution demanding IBA to expedite the resolving of the demands pertaining to bank retirees.
18. Resolution demanding extension of DA linked Pension Scheme to post-April, 2010 recruitees instead of New Pension Scheme.
19. Resolution in support of the demands of the contract/outsourced employees/ Business Correspondents and stopping of outsourcing of regular bank jobs.
20. Resolution condemning the vindictive and unwarranted harassment of Com J P Jhavar by SBI management.


Other decisions regarding struggle programmes, organisation, Conference of AIBEA and AIBOA, etc. will be communicated in the next Circular.

The hosts, AP&TBEF and AIBOA (AP&T State Committee) had made excellent arrangements for this important joint committee meeting.

With greetings,

Yours comradely,


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Dear Comrades,

- **SBI/ASSOCIATE BANK MANagements PROPOSING SOME SCHEME OF AMALGAMATAION UNILATERALLY IN THEIR BOARD MEETING ON 18-8-2016**
- **EXPRESS YOUR PROTEST BY DEMONSTRATIONS ON 18-8-2016**

When lacs and lacs of bank employees have expressed their unequivocal opposition to the Government's policies of banking reforms like privatization, consolidation, mergers, etc. by their massive strike on 29th July, 2016, instead of understanding the reasons and reasonableness of our opposition, the management of SBI/Associate Banks are bringing some scheme of amalgamation in the next Board meeting on 18th August, 2016.

Merger of Associate Banks with SBI is not going benefit anyone. Already Associate Banks are part and parcel of the SBI group. By this merger, SBI is not going to become a global bank. And, by performance, Associate Banks are doing far better than SBI itself. In fact, there are many problems within SBI. Nearly Rs. 1 lac crore of loans are bad loans. The priority in SBI is to recover these bad loans. But instead of that, they are trying to close down the Associate Banks and merge these Banks with them in order to grow and become big. This merger is totally unwarranted.

Already statements are coming out one by one. There are 16,500 Branches in SBI now. There are about 7,500 branches in Associate Banks. Now the news has come out that 30% of the branches after merger will be closed and shut down i.e. 7200 branches will be closed down. Today, there is another news item in the media that because of merger there would be surplus of 13,000 employees. That is why we are opposing these mergers and consolidation.

But, unmindful, managements want to proceed. To express our protest, we call upon all our units and members to observe the following programme:

- **Black band/black ribbon wearing on 18-8-2016**
- **Demonstrations all over the country at all centres on 17th evening or 18th evening.**

With greetings,

Yours comradely,

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