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The Officer Bearers/ Central Committee Members/ Chiefs of State Bodies All India Bank Retirees' Federation (AIBRF)

Dear Sir

Re: DHARNA AT JANTAR MANTAR, DELHI ON FRIDAY 7TH MARCH, 2014. REPORTING

We are happy to inform you that Dharna Programme of bank retirees under the banner of AIBRF was successfully organised at Jantar Mantar Delhi, on Friday 7th March, 2014 from 10 AM to 2 PM. It was historical agitational programme of bank retirees in terms of attendance, enthusiasm among Sri C.Gopinathan Nair participants, timings and new direction to the retiree movement. The attendance in dharna programme was 2547 (exact figures as per the attendance register signed without any element of inflating it) representing all states of the country from Assam to Punjab and from Kerala to Delhi.

- 2. We convey our sincere thanks and congratulations to our comrades for positively responding to the call of AIBRF and participating in it despite Debesh long travels and inconvenience at the advanced age of life. We salute our comrades for showing solidarity and unity for the cause of retiree movement and assure them their efforts will bring positive results on our issues.
 - 3. Dharna programme has solemnly and unanimously pledged for the following commitments
 - (a) Retirees shall not now sit silent on their long pending demands of pension updation, uniform dearness allowance, improvement family pension and uniform medical scheme which are pending for last 15 years and hope for that they will be resolved in the on-going 10th wage settlement.
 - (b) The agitational programmes will be intensified and escalated in the coming days depending on the developments taking place.
 - R. (c) The participants in dharna programme identified their positive points and better strength in organising agitational programme on long term and sustainable basis as the principle of "No work No Pay "does not apply to them and they have no fear of victimisation while carrying out their agitational programmes even during working hours. This strength should be exploited for meeting demands of retirees.
 - (d) Exact format of the programmes like dharna/rallies before offices of

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IBA/ RBI / Finance Ministry/ headquarters of banks and residences of key Officials will be rolled out in due course.

- (e) AIBRF should continue to coordinate with UFBU constituents, sister retirees' organisations its supporters and sympathisers to promote retiree issues.
- (f) AIBRF should take all other appropriate actions required for achieving Sri P.S.L.M.Haragopal Their pending demands in this settlement.
- 4. It is matter of satisfaction that many prominent UFBU leaders. Members of Parliament, Representatives of Central Trade Union Organisations visited dharna site at Jantar Mantar to pledge their support on our issues. Most prominent UFBU leader who addressed the participant was the General Secretary, AIBEA Shri C.H.Venkatachalam who extended Sri C.Gopinathan Nair unqualified support for the programme on behalf of its 5 lakh members. He further stated that demands raised by AIBRF are most reasonable and they are not only demands of retirees but important part of charter of demands of AIBEA/ UFBU submitted for 10th wage settlement. He declared that AIBEA would ensure that retirees demands are met before conclusion of the settlement. We convey our sincere thanks to him for coming all the way from Chennai to extent support for the programme and to ensure that retiree demands are met in this settlement. We know his role will be very crucial in meting demands of retirees in this settlement.
 - 5. We are also grateful to honourable Members of Parliament Shri Gurudas Dasgupta and Shri D. Raja who also visited at Dharna site to bless and support the programme. During their addresses they extended full support for our demands and assured that they would raise our issues inside the Parliament. We convey our special thanks to Shri D.Raja who made it point to visit the site despite the fact that he had undergone heart surgery in the recent post.
 - 6. In addition to the above more than half dozen leaders from UFBU/ Central Trade Union Organisations addressed the participants and declared their support on retiree demands. We convey our thanks to them for their support.
 - 7. The gathering was also addressed by office bearers, chiefs of state federations and central committee members of AIBRF explaining the reasonings and logic behind retiree issues. The whole atmosphere at R. Dharna site was full of enthusiasm and motivated.
 - 8. Dharna programme has given new direction to the retiree movement and was successful in meeting its objects for which it was launched. However we would like to mention that this programme is just beginning of organisational programmes to be launched as and when required in future. The retirees under the banner of AIBRF have decided to come on streets to raise their issues.

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NEXT PHASE OF OUR PROGRAMME

We have to now consolidate the gains and confidence this dharna programme has generated and to spread the message to the authorities matter. To achieve this, delegations of AIBRF will meet the following authorities

- (a) Finance and Banking Secretary
- (b) Chairman of IBA
- (c) Chief Executive of IBA
- (d) Chairmen of Negotiating Committee of IBA
- (e) Chairmen of Banks
- (f) Constituents of UFBU
- Sri C.Gopinathan Nair (g) Leaders of Prominent political parties.

(h) Leaders of sister retiree organisations

During the meeting, delegations will submit the following documents and explain the issues discussed and seek their support in resolving retiree issues. We shall issue detailed instructions in this regard shortly.

(1) Memorandum and Resolution approved in Dharna (2) Copy of this circular

ALL OUR AFFILIATES ARE REQUESTED TO HIGHLIGHT PROMINANTELY, DETAILS OF DHARNA PROGRAMME DURING PERIODICAL MEETING OF MEMBERS.

Regards

Yours Sincerely

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