

Dear Comrade S.C. Jain

Glad to report that all the calls of AIBRF were implemented successfully in Kerala.

1) Letter to Bank chairman

We are having five head offices of banks in Kerala - State Bank of Travancore, South Indian Bank, Catholic Syrian Bank, Federal Bank and Dhanalakshmi Bank. Letters addressed to the IBA chairman were handed over to the chairmen of all the banks on mass deputation and requested them to forward the same to the chairman of IBA. All of them have agreed to send the letter with favorable recommendation. We have also sent a letter to the chief of HDFC Bank of Mumbai.

2) Submission of mass memorandum to IBA and observation of protest day

Massive dharnas/ demonstrations were held at 10 district centers in Kerala with participation of more than 100 retirees in each protest action. In some districts hall meetings were held and the developments were explained to the members and took out processions to one of the public sector bank branch, conducted protest demonstrations and handed over the memorandum (signed by not less than by 100 retirees in each center) to the manager with a request forward it to IBA. One copy of memorandum was sent directly to the IBA. In some places dharnas were conducted in front of a public sector bank branch at district head quarters and memorandum signed by all were handed over to the branch manager.

In this manner more than ten mass memorandum signed by a total number of 1500 retirees were sent to IBA.

3) Individual letters to Finance secretary.

From all the dharna places/ protest demonstration centers the entire participants numbering more than 1500 send individual letters to the finance secretary.

During the formation of reception committee of fourth conference of AIBRF a massive meeting of more than 400 retirees was organised at Thrissur. From that meeting about 300 individual letters were sent to Finance secretary.

Several bank wise retirees organisations and town committees conducted explanatory meeting during this period and from those meeting places not less than 500 letters were sent to the Finance secretary.

Bank wise retirees organisations like SBT retirees association PNB retirees association, Bank of India retirees association, Union Bank retirees association, SIB retired staff association, CSB retirees association, DLB retirees association, Syndicate Bank retirees association, Federal Bank retirees association etc have sent the specimen letters to their members and requested their members to sign and sent them to the finance secretary. We are sure that more than 3500 retirees have sent the letters.

All these put together not less than 6000 individual letters have gone to the finance secretary from Kerala.

Apart from that retirees of Canara Bank, Vijaya Bank, IOB, BOB etc might have send letters to the Finance Secretary of which we do not have information at present.

This is for your information

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