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6th Conference Slogan- Pension Updation is Right of Bank Retirees

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The Office Bearers/ Central Committee Members/ State Committee Chiefs
A.I.B.R.F

Dear Sir,

Re: Organizational Developments

We are happy to report the following organizational developments which have taken place in the recent past:

1. Triennial Conference of Andhra Pradesh State Committee:

Third Triennial Conference of Andhra State Committee was organized in Vijayawada on 25th February, 2024. It was addressed by the AIBRF Office Bearers namely President, Shri S.M. Deshpande, General Secretary, Shri S. C. Jain, Joint General Secretary, Shri K. Vishwanath Naik, Deputy General Secretary, Shri N.S.N Reddy, Vice- President Shri M.N. Rao and AITUC General Secretary, AP Shri G. Obuleshu on various issues of retirees and on demand of updation, during inaugural session. In the business session, besides transacting statutory agenda items, unanimous elections were conducted electing Shri B. Sankar Rao, Chairman, Shri B.V.V. Kondala Rao , President , Shri Yella Rao , General Secretary and team of other office bearers for next 3years.

2. Foundation Conference of Newly formed Eastern Maharashtra State Committee

As per the unanimous decision taken in Central Committee meeting held at Indore on 12th & 13th January, 2024, to give boost to organizational activities and strengthen bank retiree movement in eastern part of the state, Eastern Maharashtra State Committee was formed. Its Foundation Conference was held in Nagpur on **17.03.2024**. It was addressed by the President, AIBRF Shri S.M. Deshpande and AIBRF, General Secretary, Shri S. C. Jain. More than 400 retirees from 10 banks were present in the conference. This will be 19th state committee of AIBRF. New office bearers team consisting of Shri. Chelwani (Central Bank), Chairman, Shri O.P. Verma (Uco. Bank) President, Shri Shyamsunder Butolia, General Secretary and others were unanimously elected. Its jurisdiction will be Vidarbha Region of Maharashtra.

On the occasion of foundation conference, wide publicity on bank retiree issue was given in electronic and print media. Several newspapers of Nagpur city covered the conference and retiree issues in their papers. Some of the paper cuttings and photos are given below.





3. Action Programs to support demand of payment of ex-gratia to pensioners/ family pensioners from Private Sector Banks.

As per the decision taken in recently held Office Bearers' Meeting on Ex-gratia, action program has been drawn to pursue demand of ex-gratia payment to pensioners/ family pensioners from Private Sector Banks as per the 12th Bipartite Settlement provisions. Meeting of office bearers from Private sector banks was held through video conferencing in which 30 members from 13 private sector banks participated in deliberations. It was decided that along with efforts being made at the apex level, the issue would be pursued at bank level by submitting memorandum in delegation to the management by the concern affiliates. In addition to this, State Committees/ Affiliates would meet UFBU Convenors of States in delegation and request them for early sanction of ex-gratia to this group.

4. Women Day Celebration by Woman Wing of Karnataka State Committee on 12.03.2024

Women Wing of Karnataka State Committee organized program to celebrate 14th Woman International Day on 12.03.2024 at Bangalore which was attended by large gathering. It was addressed by the Chief Guest Dr. Prema S. Raju, Joint General Secretary, AIBRF Shri Vishwanath Naik and others.

5. Meeting of Representatives of Associated Banks held on 4.03.2024

Meeting of representatives of 3 associate banks namely State Bank of Patiala, State Bank of Travancore and State Bank of Indore affiliated to AIFRF was held through video conferencing on 4.3.2024. The meeting was conducted by The General Secretary of State bank of Patiala Retired Employee Association and convener of the forum, Shri Devinder Singh Jatana. It was addressed by the General Secretary, AIBRF. After detailed discussion, it was decided to hold physical meeting in coming days to finalize model for coordination and thereafter eventual merger.

6. Payment of Arrears of Pensioners for Ex-gratia in banks

We understand that most of the public sector banks would be paying arrears for ex-gratia amount along with pension for March, 24. We understand on this occasion, some of our affiliates have decided to collect contribution from beneficiaries as fund raising program. Other affiliates may also consider the matter at their level. As regards sharing some fund with AIBRF, it will be discussed in next office bearers' meeting to take view on it.

7. Merger of affiliates affected by merger of banks

At Indore Central Committee Meeting, unanimous decision was taken to complete process of merger of affiliates affected with merger of banks latest by 30.06.2024.

We find that more than 2 months have passed since holding of Indore Central Committee Meeting but no much activity is seen in this direction and now hardly 3 months' time is left to complete the task.

Attention of concern affiliates is invited on AIBRF circular No. 2023/099 dated 19.09.2023 where detailed procedure to be followed to draw specific scheme of merger is given. We were expecting that concern coordination committees would discuss each point given in the above circular and take decision on them and refer a point where further clarifications are needed. But we find that no initiative has been taken on it by any affiliate. AIBRF is quite serious to complete the merger process within stipulated time limit with the support and cooperation of all concern. We request all concern affiliates to attend it on priority basis.

8. Annual Subscription for 2024


We find that a very few affiliates have paid annual subscription for the current year though first quarter is about to be over. The affiliates who have not paid annual subscription so far are requested to remit it at the earliest.

9. Submissions of Annual Returns to ALC for 2023

We are happy to inform that annual returns for 2023 along with audited balance sheet for 2023 have been submitted to ALC, Gandhinagar. The competent authority has approved all amendments passed by General Council Meeting held in Bangalore. We will circulate amended constitution shortly.

With Warm Greetings,

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'mabab', is written over a horizontal line.

(S. C. JAIN)
GENERAL SECRETARY

