

ALL INDIA BANK RETIREES' FEDERATION (REGD.)

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

Dear Comrades

Re: Joint Action Programs organized

Re: Reporting

Further to our last circular no 2019/003 dated 9.1.2019, we wish to inform that joint Dharna programs have been organized at the following centers:

1. At Ahmedabad on 8.01.2019

We are happy to inform that Dharna program in coordination with CBPRO and AIBRF was held to day i. e. on 10th Jan, 19, between 4.Pm to 6.Pm at Vallabhsadan, near River Front. Ashram Road, Ahmedabad, a very prominent place of our city. The presence of the participants were also excellent. The crowd was around 1000/- .The leaders of the Organization i.e. CBPRO, AIBRF State Committee of Gujarat, Coordinator, Central & State Govt Emp Unions Shri Nandu Deshpande, leaders of Maha Gujarat Bank Employees Assn, leaders of all affiliates of our State Committee and also of Employees Assn were present. Slogans were demonstrated with spirit. Speech also were given justifying our very genuine demands by Shri Rindani, President, State Bank Pensioners Association, Gujarat. Shri J. B. Dave, Vice President, AIBRF, Shri I. B. Shah, old very active Trade Union leader and also founder of our State Federation, Gujarat. Shri Pravin Shukla, G.S. AIBRF State Committee.

In short good tempo was created and participants' spirit was created for further Agitations Program. We will send you Photographs separately.

With spirit,

J.B. Dave. H.A.Parmar. Pravin Shukla.
V. P. AIBRF. President. Gen Secretary.
AIBRF, St Committee, Gujarat.

2. At Chennai on 8.1.2019

The Demonstration / Dharna held at Chennai on 08.01.2019 is a historic event in the Retirees movement in the city of Chennai, which can not be forgotten and will ever be remembered by the retirees. It is a thundering success. The attendance was surpassed all our expectations. More than 1200 participated.

Com. Franco, General Secretary SBI Pensioners Federation, Chennai Presided the Dharma.

Leaders of serving organization AIBOC, AIBOA & BEFI greeted the Dharma.

Our Deputy General Secretary Com. S.V. Srinivasan, President and General Secretary of AIBPARC State Unit, Representatives from RBONC & other Retirees organization have addressed the gathering. The meeting concluded with vote of thanks by Mr. Saravanamuthu of State Bank of India Pensioners Association, Chennai.

3. In Bihar State on 29.12.2018

A meeting of leaders of the Bihar State Units of the constituents of CBPRO and AIBRF was held to decide programmes of Dharna/ Rally/ Demonstrations in pursuance of the decision of Joint actions in the Pensioners of office of the local SBI at Patna. The meeting decided to hold the said joint action programme at four centres in the State of Bihar at Patna, Muzaffarpur, Gaya & Bhagalpur on a common date on 29th December'18.

In implementation of the above decision, following action programmes have been jointly undertaken under the banner of CBPRO and AIBRF on 29.12.2018 at all the above mentioned four centres-

1. Patna: As per the programme large number of Retirees' and Pensioners assembled at the gate of SBI main branch and from there took out a massive procession with their respective banners and shouting slogans on pending issues and passing main thoroughfare of about 3 km in the heart of city culminated in to a rally, which was addressed by the leaders of the joint forum. Electronic and print media persons covered the entire programme.
2. Dharna/Demonstrations: At other 3 centres at Muzaffarpur, Gaya & Bhagalpur hundreds of Bank Retirees sat on massive Dharna at prominent centres and staged demonstrations in support of demands.
3. Submission of memorandum: Today memorandum on our pending issues addressed to the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India has been submitted to the zonal heads of the four banks with a request to forward the same to the PMO for consideration.

4. At Jabalpur on 27.12.2018

We are pleased to advise that a Dharna was successfully held at Jabalpur on 27th Dec 2018 with participation of Hundreds of Bank Retirees under Banner of CBPRO and AIBRF.

The undersigned was the Convenor of the Joint Action Committee of CBPRO and AIBRF.

5. In the state of Utter Pradesh

DHARNA / RALLY IN LUCKNOW – In order to have a proper coordination and make a very successful Dharna 3 joint meeting of UP State CBPRO – AIBRF officials were held at SBI Pensioners Office where all the constituent were present and after threadbare discussion, everything was finalized and unanimously decided to hold it at Allahabad Bank, Hazaratganj, Lucknow on 11th January'19 from 11 AM. For wide coverage /publicity of our program a Joint Press Conference was called on 10th January,19 at SBI Pensioners Office where from AIBRF R.K.Agarwal and R.M.Tandon President and General Secretary of FBRA UP, R.K.Dhawan, K.P.Gupta, Anoop Saran & S.R.Mishra Dy. G.S. of FBRA UP were presents apart from others.

BAREILLY –Massive Dharna was organized at Bareilly on 28th December and memorandum was handed over to Honb'le Union Minister Sri Santosh Gangwar.

VARANASI – Grand Dharna was organized on 5th January. Since the Varanasi is the constituency of PM as such there is local PMO therefore the memorandum was handed over to UP State Minister Sri Anil Rajbhar at PMO by our delegation.

SAHARANPUR – our unit organized a massive Dharna on 8th January.

ALLAHABAD – our unit holds a grand Dharna on 10th January, 2019.

6. In the state of Kerala

The joint action programme of CBPRO and AIBRF is motivating the entire retirees in our country. It is providing a feeling of oneness and confidence amongst the retirees. In Kerala also enthusiasm is running high. There is en mass participation in all centres where dharnas were conducted. We give hereunder the details of dharna's conducted and proposed to be conducted.

Dharnas Conducted

1. **Trivandrum:** Conducted on_01/12/2018. Inaugurated by Com. Binoy Viswam, Member of Parliament. 500 retirees participated. Representing AIBRF Com. C. Gopinathan Nair addressed. Smt. Jameela Prakasam MLA greeted.
2. **Ernakulam:** Conducted on 18/12/2018. Inaugurated by Com. P. Rajeev, Ex Member of Parliament. More than 800 retirees participated. Representing AIBRF Com. K. Sreenivasan addressed the gathering. UFBU State Convenor Com. C.D. Josen greeted.
3. **Thodupuzha (Idukki District)** Conducted on 10/01/2019.Inaugurated by Sri. Francis George, Ex Member of Parliament. More than 150 retirees participated. Representing AIBRF Com. K. Sreenivasan addressed the gathering.
4. **Kollam:** Conducted on 11/01/2019.Inaugurated by Sri. N.K. Premachandran, Member of Parliament. More than 300 retiree's participated. Representative's of AITUC, CITU, INTUC etc. greeted. Representing AIBRF Com. T.M. Mathews and Sri. K.V. Vijayan Pillai addressed.
5. **Malappuram:** Conducted on 14/01/2019. Inaugurated by Advocate K.N.A Khader MLA. More than 100 retirees participated. Representing AIBRF Com. John Joseph addressed.

6. **Kozhikode:** Conducted on 15/01/2019. Inaugurated by Sri. V.A.N Namboodiri (Trade Union International – pensioners and retirees’ office bearer). More than 400 participated. Representing AIBRF Com. V.P. Raghavan and Sri. K. Radhakrishnan addressed.

Dharnas proposed

1. **Palakkad:** To be held on 18/01/2019. To be inaugurated by Sri. K.K. Divakaran – All India Secretary, C I T U will inaugurate. Representing AIBRF Sri. K. Sreenivasan will address. Expect more than 400 to participate.
2. **Kottayam:** To be held on 22/01/2019. To be inaugurated by Sri. Thiruvanchoor Radhakrishnan, MLA and former Minister of Kerala. Representing AIBRF Com. N.D. Nandakumar will address. Expect more than 300 participants.
3. **Kannur:** To be held on 23/01/2019. To be inaugurated by Smt. Sreemathy, Member of Parliament. Representing AIBRF Com. A.C. Madhavan will address. Expect more than 200 participants.
4. **Thrissur:** To be held on 01/02/2019. To be inaugurated by Com. K.P. Rajendran, State General Secretary of AITUC. Representing AIBRF Com. John Joseph and Com. A.L. Rappai will address. Expect more than 800 participants.

We are trying to organize Dharnas at Alappuzha and Pathanamthitta Districts also. The dates will be decided later and informed.

In all the Dharnas leaders of Central Trade Unions and UFBU leaders are participating and extending full support to our demands.

We are meeting the Members of Parliament of our state separately and requesting them to take up our issues in the Budget session of Parliament. We shall inform you in due course.

7. In the state of Telangana

Joint Dharna program was organized in Hyderabad

8. In the state of Andhra Pradesh

Andhra Pradesh state committee organized joint Dharna program in Vijayawada & 3 other cities in the state.

9 In the state of Maharashtra

At Azad in Mumbai massive Dharna program was organized by CBPRO & Maharashtra state committee of AIBRF on 11.01.2019. More than 1000 bank retirees participated . The gathering was addressed by AIBRF President S.M. Deshpande, SBI Pensioners Association GS Shri Ramesh Babu, DGS AIBRF Shri Ashok Patil, State Committee GS Dr. Jog, UFBU leaders and other leaders from our affiliates. At the end , delegation of retirees went to IBA office and submitted memorandum for appropriate action on it.

On 16.01.2019, Dharna was organized in Nagpur in support of pending demands of AIBRF.

HIGHLIGHTS OF JOINT ACTION PROGRAMS & OVEALL ASSESSEMENT.

In this way, first phase of joint action programs have been successfully organized. Main highlights of the joint programs are as under

- (1) First time joint action programs have been organized in support of pending demands of bank retirees.**
- (2) It has been jointly organized by CBPRO & AIBRF which represent 100 per cent of bank retirees.**
- (3) These joint programs have been organized in 30 cities during the months of December 2018 & January, 2019.**
- (4) In these programs about 1 lakh retirees have participated.**
- (5) Main Dharna programs were organized in the cities of Delhi on 7.01.2019 & in Mumbai on 11.01.2019. In Delhi more than 5000 retirees participated and in Mumbai more than 1000 retirees too part in Dharna programs.**
- (6) Memorandum addressed to the Prime Minister was submitted to local authorities with the request to forward to PMO for taking appropriate action on them. In Delhi it was submitted to DFS & in Mumbai it was submitted to IBA.**
- (7) We understand PMO has forwarded our memorandum to IBA for its comments.**
- (8) Dharna programs have been addressed by Members of Parliament and UFBU leaders at different centers giving their full support on pending issues of bank retirees.**
- (9) It is seen that some of the important constituents have shown greater commitment and unqualified support to two main pending demands of improvement in family pension and Updation giving improved confidence that this time UFBU constituents would take these demands with all seriousness for solution before conclusion of the settlement.**
- (10) The impression we have gathered that all concerned including authorities in IBA, DFS UFBU leaders were quite sympathetic on the demand for improvement in Family pension. Considering this we feel that improvement in family pension is distinct reality in the next settlement.**
- (11) Joint program has given very positive message among membership and has created new hope for solution of pending demands.**

In conclusion we may say that this Joint Program has been able to largely achieve the organisational object for which it was launched.

We convey our thanks to all our office bearers, central committee members, affiliates, state committees and membership at large for their support and active participation for making it grant success. We also convey our thanks to CBPRO & its leadership for their support and cooperation.

We shall take view on further action program after joint review with CBPRO

With Revolutionary Regards

Yours Sincerely,

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

(S.C.JAIN)

GENERAL SECRETARY