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24.02.2020

Shri Sunil Mehta
The Chief Executive officer
Indian Banks' Association
Mumbai

Sir,

Re: Supreme Court Judgment dated 13.2.2018 in the matter of 1616-1684 index

Re: Non- payment of commutation arrears

We request you to refer your circular letter no. HR & IR/ 2018-19/G2/4786 dated 3.4.2018 addressed to member banks asking them to implement Supreme Court order dated 13.2.2018 and accordingly calculate amount due and payable to the eligible retirees with 9 per cent interest for delayed period and pay within maximum period of 4 months from the date of judgment i.e. 13.02.2018.

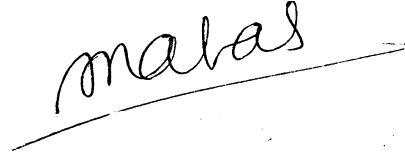
2. As per the order of Supreme Court and relevant judgment of Karnataka High Court which was upheld by the Supreme Court and also relevant provisions of pension regulations, amount due and payable included (a) difference in basic pension (b) consequential DA difference and (d) difference in commuted amount. While, we find that most of the banks have paid the arrears for difference for item no. (a) & (b), many big banks like **Bank of India, Central Bank of India, Union Bank of India, State Bank of India (for associate banks)** have not yet paid arrears for commutation difference even after expiry of more than 20 months from the deadline of 13.6.2018 fixed by the honorable Supreme Court. We have to bring to your notice that whenever our affiliates follow up for payment of commutation arrears with the concern bank managements, reply given by these banks is that the matter has been referred to IBA for clarification and reply from them is awaited.

3. We find that circular issued by IBA as well as direction given by the Supreme Court as well as Karnataka High Court as well as relevant provisions on commutation entitlement and its recovery method are absolutely clear. We are surprised to find that in the name of seeking clarification, payments are being delayed much beyond the deadline fixed by the court for this purpose and amounts to blatant contempt of the court. We do not know when 6/7 PSBs. have already paid the arrears why above referred banks are delaying them in the name of seeking clarifications.

4. We humbly request you to ask these banks to take necessary steps to pay the arrears in respect of commutation by providing the clarifications, if any needed.

With Respectful Greetings,

Yours Sincerely,

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(S.C.JAIN)
GENERAL SECRETARY