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Dear Comrade,

Sub: 4th meeting of the Governing Council for the term 2023-26 takes place at Delhi on 24th October, 2024 – the meeting congratulates all concerned for making the centralized Dharna at Delhi at the call of CBPRO a historic event- the members take stock of the development of all issues in between the period March, 2024 to October, 2024 and urges upon GO/IBA to resolve all pending issues affecting the retirees of the Banking Industry.

We have pleasure to convey that almost the full house of the GC took part in a 10-hour long fruitful meeting and deliberated on all important issues and arrived at important decisions. The highlights of the meeting are mentioned hereunder:

- * **Shri A.K. Nagar**, President, AIBPARC, Delhi state committee offered the welcome speech.
- * **Com. K.V. Acharya**, President, AIBPARC, in his initial address talked upon the following issues – impressive Dharna in respect of attendance of members, address by leaders of the Central Trade Unions, address by General Secretary, AIBOC, extensive coverage by print and electronic media, submission of Memorandum to various authorities, various aspects of GMISR, the-Wayanad tragedy and our task ahead, position of Court cases centring around commutation issues, the position of the case pending at the Supreme Court etc.
- * **Com. G.D. Nadaf**, Advisor, observes that AIBPARC requires to have physical negotiations with IBA with eye-to-eye contact as in such meetings any wrong statements given by management can be understood. The issue of formal consultative status should be given paramount importance. He congratulates all affiliates for making the Dharna a memorable event.
- * **Com. Harvinder Singh, Former General Secretary, AIBOC said that:**
Through the Policy Resolution, everyone in the Banking Industry has known that AIBPARC was formed and floated by AIBOC. He recounts with pride his close association with the holding of the 1st General Body Conference of AIBPARC at Delhi and also during his tenure, the initial fund- requirement of AIBPARC was met with by AIBOC as per provisions of the Policy Resolution. He reassured all of us that his services will be always available to AIBPARC in all its Programmes and activities.



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* **Dr. Ananta Krishna Rao**, a veteran in the movement of officers and the Retirees too, remembers the older ages when people had larger commitments. Now with the advancement of age, the people of earlier days have lesser involvement and that gap is to be filled up by the younger retirees. He further points out that the Associate Banks after merger with SBI are having a lot of problems which require to be addressed.

* **The General Secretary** submitted an elaborate written report and also the copy of audited accounts for the financial year ending 31st March, 2024 for consideration of the house covering the following points National, International, Economic events, issues relating to the interest of pensioners like payment of Ex-gratia, DA disparity, health insurance at affordable cost, updation of pension, stopping recovery of commutation after 10 years, computation of special allowance in the calculation of pension and gratuity, issues related to Private Sector Banks, Regional Rural Banks, one more option for pension for the resignees, one more option for the left outs, celebration of Bank Nationalization Day in a different way, defence assistants for retirees, denial of stagnation increments to a section of scale V officers, staff welfare in Public Sector Banks, issues related to gratuity matters, organizational activities undertaken by different affiliates between the last meeting and the present one, ratification of the decision of allowing affiliation to AIPNBPA, reporting on the situation persisting at Indian Bank in regard to the two organizations(both are affiliates of AIBPARC) using the same name creating confusion, taking a cubicle on rent at Kolkata, position of payment of subscription by different affiliates, issues related to CBPRO, creation of a parallel forum by AIBRF, successful Dharna organized by various state committees, the historic Dharna at Jantar Mantar on 23rd October, 2024 and conclusion.

* **One GC member from each affiliate took part in deliberations on the report submitted by the General Secretary. They offered various suggestions and action points which have been duly noted for chalking out the future plan of action. Apart from one speaker from each affiliate, all the Working Presidents of the organization and also several senior leaders took part in deliberation. At the end of the day, the President and the General Secretary summarized the issues.**

* **Following resolutions have been passed by the House:**

1) The Minutes, the written report of the GS and the audited accounts for the year ending 31st March 2024 had been duly noted.

2) Sincerest thanks and gratitude is conveyed to all affiliates, leaders, activists and veterans for making the centralized Dharna at the call of CBPRO on 23rd October, 2024 a historical one. Thanks, and gratitude is also conveyed to the Member of the Parliament, the leaders of the Central Trade Unions and the General Secretary of AIBOC for attending and addressing the huge gathering. The house is highly appreciative of the sincere labour and dedication shown by all the leaders of CBPRO/AIBPARC Delhi state committee for making the Dharna a really memorable one.

3) The House expects that the GOI, the Bureaucracy and the IBA will take the message from the huge gathering of Bank Retirees at Jantar Mantar, Delhi on 23rd October, 2024 and would take effective steps to sort out the legitimate demands of the Bank Retirees. The House further urges upon IBA to start formal dialogue with all the apex level Retiree organizations without any loss of time.

4) The House is keeping keen watch on the developments of various Court Cases pending before the P&H High Court on issues relating to stoppage of recovery of commutation after 10 years and necessary guidelines would be passed on to the Members/ Affiliates.

5) The House resolved that the organization would immediately take up the issue of nonpayment of Ex-gratia to the retirees of the Private Sector Banks with IBA. It was also decided to explore the idea of taking up the pending issues of the Retirees of the Associate Banks with FSBIPAs and State Bank of India.

6) The House resolved that all the action points which evolved out of the deliberations of members would be chalked out and the issues would be taken up with IBA. Ways and means will be explored to have two meetings with IBA per year.



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7) The House decided to remit a sum of Rs. 2 Lakhs to the account of AIBPARC, Kerala state committee with the advice to spend the money on some suitable rehabilitation project at Wayanad area. The House appreciated the initiative taken by AIBPARC, Kerala by involving themselves in the Wayanad Rehabilitation Programs and also at the National Level, AIBPARC taking initiative as an Apex level Bank Pensioners and Retirees Organisation in contributing to the mission Wayanad by individual members and Affiliates.

8) The House resolved to offer affiliation to All India Punjab National Bank Pensioners Association (AIPNBPA) as per application made by the said organization and being duly endorsed by the General Secretary, AIPNBOA (the affiliate of AIBOC at PNB). This is in ratification of the earlier action of issue of provisional affiliation certificate.

9) The House once again advised the General Secretary of our affiliate at erstwhile Allahabad Bank to go by the decision of the earlier Governing Council meetings that two organizations in the same name and style should not operate from the same Bank as the Affiliates of AIBPARC. Since the organization of which Com. Kuppuswami is the General Secretary has been associated with AIBPARC from the initial days in the name of All India Indian Bank Pensioners and Retirees Association, the same name should not be used by any other organization as it would create confusion at Bank level and AIBPARC level. The House also referred to the decision which was arrived at by mutual consultation among the leaders of both the Banks (Indian Bank and erstwhile Allahabad Bank) with the President, the GS and the Working Presidents of AIBPARC that our affiliate at erstwhile Allahabad Bank will make some kind of distinctive change in their name so that the two organizations can be differentiated in a clear manner.

The fruitful meeting ended with a vote of thanks offered by **Com. Gopinath Rao, Senior Vice President** of the organization.

With best wishes and regards,

Comradely yours,

K.V. Acharya.
President, AIBPARC
& Jt. Convenor, CBPRO

Suprita Sarkar
General Secretary