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30th May 2010

To

ALL MEMBERS OF ARISE

Dear Comrades,

ARISE - ANNUAL GENERAL BODY MEETING Spirited participation at the congregation

It should have been seen to be believed. None had tired limbs or sunken spirit. Cheers on all faces and joy of being together with no further expectation made the crowd special. The venue overflowed with overwhelming presence of members from various parts of the country. Cutting across cadre former General Managers to retired Sub-staff made up the confluence of members at the venue. Not to be outdone the present General Managers and other executives also participated in large number in demonstration of their of wishes to ARISE.



Mr. V. Krishnaswamy, General Manager - PAD, IOB, lighting the lamp

The Annual General Body meeting commenced as scheduled with the melodious invocation rendered by Com. Usha Sampathkumar. To symbolize ushering light into our life and dispelling the darkness of ignorance traditional lamp was lit by the dignitaries. Our President

Com. K.S.Rengarajan delivered the welcome speech. He highlighted the challenges ahead of us while recording the achievements made thus far. Achievements may not be many but we are right on track and have already emerged as the organization having the largest membership. He then read out the message of our Chief Advisor Com.A.S.Sabharwal who could not make it due to his sudden ill health. Our Chief Advisor while wishing the conference all success prayed almighty for the well being of all IOBIANs.

Following our President's 'Welcome speech' Mr.V.Krishnaswamy, General Manager still convalescing, made the brief inaugural speech but sat through the whole 3-hour inaugural session at great physical strain. We thank him profusely.



Com. S.B.C. Karunakaran, General Secretary, ARISE addresses

Then came the torrent of emotional and enlightening speech by the Chief Guest Com. Shantha Raju, the former UFBU convener, the architect of historic wage settlements. Com. Shantha Raju spoke about the benefits retirees are getting in State Bank of India and the recognition Pensioners' Association is receiving from SBI. The Association has been given office space and other infrastructure and is assisted in conducting conferences and regional meetings by SBI as a mark of respect to the retirees who have given their best to the growth and progress of the Bank. We are confident that the day is not far off when the same spirit would guide our Bank too and ARISE would be extended similar facilities. Com.Shantha Raju lauded the unions for having secured 2nd option for PF optees, a demand that was eluding fulfilment for the past 15 years. He wished ARISE the very best and emphasized the need to build up strong unity at all India level among retirees. ARISE pledges itself to build up unity within IOB and serve for unity among all banks' retirees.

Com. K.Anandakumar, General Secretary of IOBOA in extending fraternal greetings gave a graphic account of Pension settlement. Everyone present realized that the second option for pension was no mean achievement and it was still a good bargain in spite of additional cost to those who missed the first opportunity. He concluded by pledging continued support of IOBOA to the cause of retirees in general and to ARISE in particular.

Com.J.D.Sharma, President of IOBOA extending warm greetings to ARISE made an incisive analysis of the pension settlement in his inimitable style. Common thread that weaved through the speeches of Com. Shantha Raju, Com.K.Anandakumar and Com. J.D.Sharma



Present and Former Executives of the Bank, assembled

exposed the antagonism of IBA and Government to the cause of Bank employees and that lack of empathy and not resources was the reason for the step motherly treatment to Bank employees. ARISE in its circular (Titled “Banks! To fare well be fair to Bank employees”) opined that by holding 2nd option for pension

a hostage Govt/IBA reduced the whole wage negotiation to a Hostage crisis talks. This reading of ARISE has been vindicated by the above speeches and the recent circular of AIBOC (Cir. No.64 of 12/5/10) wherein it was admitted that Govt/IBA exploited the situation by offering a poor package for wage revision.

We live in a land which strongly believes that Truth alone triumphs in the end. Truth of the sacrifice of the employees, Truth of the austerity practised by the employees, Truth of their single minded devotion and dedication have to triumph and will triumph. The lost ground in parity will be retrieved and so also parity with government pensioners brought to banks’

pensioners. If IBA comes again with the false plea of banks’ bottom-line Unions should demand take-over of management by the employees that will ensure not only better wage revision in 2012 but also fair bargain for all stake-holders. Employees need not strike work any more but have to strike at the false propaganda of bottom-line.



Section of ARISE membership, attended

Inaugural session concluded by 1.15 P.M. followed by lunch hosted by IOBOA. It has become a habit with IOBOA to play the perfect host.

We have no words to thank them for all the help and assistance they have rendered for the successful conduct of the conference.

Business session in the afternoon had enthusiastic and active participation of members. General Secretary presented his report and the accounts and it was passed unanimously after deliberation. Everyone craved for unity and some suggested merger to achieve that end. Com.K.V.Acharya and Com.M.R.Gopinatha Rao, Vice Presidents gave graphic account of the steps taken for merger which unfortunately did not find any response from the other quarters. General Secretary concluded that the only way to bring unity among retirees is not merger but to make ARISE the only organization of retirees in IOB and all members should strive to bring all the retirees who are their friends and neighbours to the fold of ARISE. This view was unanimously endorsed by the General Body.

General Body expressed its anguish over our Bank's reluctance to extend REMAS and other welfare measures to VRS 2000 and to reopen REMAS to all other retirees who missed the deadline. General Body expressed its disappointment over our Bank not implementing even non-monetary issues and agreed issues like staff rates for all loans availed by retirees against instruments of savings.

Resolution was passed for pension updation, pension upgradation, 100% DA neutralization, improvements in Family Pension Scheme etc. The General Body approved the steps being taken by the leadership to explore legal remedies for all the above.

To formalise the patronage ARISE receives from IOBOA, the General Secretary Com. K. Anandakumar and the President Com. J.D. Sharma of IOBOA have been made ex-officio patrons of ARISE. The proposal to make these duo as patrons found unanimous welcome demonstrating the strong bondage between ARISE and IOBOA,

Nomination to the executive committee was made by making Com. V.M.Krishnamurthy as Organising Secretary, Com.S.Kruparam as Joint Secretary, Com.P.Krishnaraj as ECM, Com.S.Rajan, Regional Co-ordinator - Kollam.

The meeting came to a conclusion by 5.15 P.M.

We thank all the members, especially the lady members who have come in great number to the conference braving the heat and inspite of it being a busy wedding date.

We append the press coverage carried by the local dailies.

Retired IOB staff meet
Chennai: The annual general body meeting of the Association of Retired IOB's Employees (ARISE) was held on May 23 at Indian Overseas Bank, central office, Chennai. The meeting was inaugurated by V Krishnaswamy, General Manager, IOB. The chief guest was Shantaraju, president, State Bank of India Pensioners' Association (Karnataka) xx ENS

Indian Express dated 25th May 2010

**இந்தியன் ஓவர்சீஸ் வங்கி
ஓய்வு பெற்ற ஊழியர் சங்க பொதுக்குழு கூட்டம்**
சென்னை, மே.25-
இந்தியன் ஓவர்சீஸ் வங்கியின் ஓய்வு பெற்ற ஊழியர் சங்க பொதுக்குழு கூட்டம் வங்கியில் நடைபெற்றது. இந்த கூட்டத்தை இந்தியன் ஓவர்சீஸ் வங்கி பொது மேலாளர் வி.கிருஷ்ணசாமி தொடங்கி வைத்தார். பாரத ஸ்டேட் வங்கி ஓய்வூதியர் சங்கத்தின் கர்நாடக மாநில செயலாளர் சாந்தராஜ் சிறப்பு விருந்தினராக கலந்து கொண்டார். இந்தியன் ஓவர்சீஸ் வங்கி அதிகாரிகள் சங்க தலைவர் ஜே.டி.சர்மா மற்றும் பொதுச்செயலாளர் கே.ஆனந்தகுமார் ஆகியோர் வாழ்த்துரை வழங்கினர். ஏ.ஆர்.ஐ.எஸ்.இ சங்கத் தலைவர் கே.எஸ். ரங்கராஜன் அனைவரையும் வரவேற்று பேசினார். பொதுச்செயலாளர் எஸ்.பி.சி. கருணாகரன் நன்றி கூறினார்.

Dinathanthi dated 25th May 2010

**ஐ.ஓ.பி. வங்கி ஓய்வாளர்
சங்கக் கூட்டம்**
சென்னை, மே 24: இந்தியன் ஓவர்சீஸ் வங்கியின் ஓய்வாளர் சங்கத்தின் பொதுக்குழுக் கூட்டம் (மே 23) ஞாயிற்றுக்கிழமை வங்கியின் மைய அலுவலகத்தில் நடைபெற்றது. வங்கி பணியாளர்களுக்கான ஊதிய உயர்வு, நீண்ட கால கோரிக்கையான ஓய்வூதியம் ஆகியவை குறித்தும், மேலும் இதில் உள்ள சாதகம் மற்றும் பாதகமான விஷயங்கள் குறித்தும் இந்த கூட்டத்தில் விரிவாக விவாதிக்கப்பட்டன. இந்தியன் ஓவர்சீஸ் வங்கியின் பொது மேலாளர் வி. கிருஷ்ணசாமி, பாரத ஸ்டேட் வங்கியின் ஓய்வூதியர் சங்கத்தின் கர்நாடக மாநில செயலாளர் சாந்தராஜ் உள்ளிட்டோர் இந்த கூட்டத்தில் கலந்து கொண்டனர்.

Dinamani dated 25th May 2010

With Warm Greetings,

Yours Comradely,

(K.S. RENGARAJAN)
PRESIDENT

(S.B.C. KARUNAKARAN)
GENERAL SECRETARY

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OUR UNITY

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