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To

All Constituents of CBPRO

CBPRO MEETING AT CHENNAI ON 19.08.2016

The leaders of CBPRO met at Chennai on 19.08.2016 in IOBOA Academy for Research and Skill Developments. The meeting started at 10.00 A.M. and principal functionaries of SBI Pensioners' Federation, AIBPRC, RBONC and FORBE attended the meeting. The General Secretary of AIRBEA Com. R.K.Acharya took leave of absence due to hospitalization of his father.

Shri K.Chandershekar, Secretary Tamilnadu State AIBPRC welcomed the leaders of CBPRO. Shri K.V.Acharya requested Shri R.N. Banerjee, President SBI Pensioners' Federation to preside over the meeting. Shri Acharya, joint Convener read out the minuets of the previous meeting. He also gave an account of the developments between the meeting of CBPRO at Delhi on 27.04.2016 and meeting of CBPRO at Chennai.

Shri Banerjee in his presidential remarks observed that after the success of the massive Dharna at Jantar Mantar and the meeting with the Hon'ble Finance Minister by the delegation of CBPRO and also later on the way in which the elaborate discussions held with IBA officials on 26.05.2016 the expectations of the members had gone very high. He also stated that the members were expecting at least 100% DA to pre 2002 Retirees and improvement in Family Pension would come through but unfortunately not even a single issue got resolved. Shri Banerjee called upon the Constituents of CBPRO to come out with suggestions as to what should be the further course of action.

In response to the presidential observations Com. S.R.Sen Gupta, General Secretary AIBPRC also echoed the feelings of Shri Banerjee and stressed on the need to further chalk out serious action programmes including CBPRO delegation to the Governors of State by the State leaders of CBPRO.

Shri R.D. Deshpande, General Secretary of RBONC called for further consolidation of Retirees movement and suggested that CBPRO should on the one hand continue the path of negotiation, more education and awareness about the issues of the Retirees among the membership and on the other also consolidate the

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Court cases filed by the members in respect of the common issues of the Pensioners and assist the litigants wherever necessary.

Shri D.K. Nadigar, Joint General Secretary of RBONC highlighted about the Medical Insurance Scheme and about its further continuation. Shri K Sukumaran, General Secretary also called for further strengthening of the CBPRO.

Shri A.N.Madusudan, Vice President FORBE and Shri B.G.Manakeshwar, Vice President FORBE informed the leaders of CBPRO the efforts put in by them by meeting political leaders mainly of the Ruling Party and also the meeting they had with Shri Jayant Sinha, when he was MOS (Finance). They also stated that Shri Jayant Sinha ji instructed IBA to collect the Data in respect of 100% DA, Family Pension and other issues. They also informed that a meeting with the new MOS (Finance) would take place within a week to give further push to our issues.

Shri Saravanamuthu and Shri Ganapthy of SBI Pensioners' Federation wanted the issues of anomalies that had crept in respect of SBI Comrades who belong to 7th Bipartite Settlement to be highlighted in representations and talks.

Shri SBC Karunakaran of AIBPRC explained the positive developments in respect of communication between IBA and CBPRO and its Constituents. He also emphasized that the CBPRO has further focussed the issues and has become the real face of Retirees Movement in articulating the members' grievances and espousing the cause of the Retirees.

After a detailed and purposeful discussion the following action programmes have been chalked out by the CBPRO to escalate the campaign for resolution of long pending issues of:

- 1. Uniform 100% DA to Pre 2002 Retirees.
- 2. Improvement in Family Pension.
- 3. Updation.
- 4. Anomalies in SBI Pension Scheme.
- 5. Pension for Left out people (Compulsorily retired people and Resignees)
- 6. Proper implementation of Medical Insurance Scheme.
- 7. Improvement in Ex-gratia amount to pre 1986 Retirees.

The Action Programme is as follows:

- 1. Delegation to IBA Chairman by CBPRO Leaders within 15 Days from the date of meeting at Chennai..
- 2. Delegation to Governors of State by respective State Bodies before 30.09.2016.
- 3. Meeting with Minister of State (Finance) immediately in pursuance of the directions given by the earlier MOS (Finance) to IBA in regard to pensioners' issues.

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- 4. CBPRO delegation to meet chairmen of all Banks in respective Bank Head Quarters before 30.09.2016.
- 5. Local CBPRO delegation to meet local Political Leaders.
- 6. CBPRO also to explore possibilities of associating with the Pension Updation cases filed by individuals.
- 7. Garner effective Media Attention.

The meeting ended on a very optimistic and confident note and all the constituents felt that the united face of the CBPRO will make a big difference and compel the Government and IBA and Bank Managements to wake up to the issues of Bank Retirees with all seriousness.

Shri A.Ramesh Babu Joint Convener could not attend the Chennai meeting as he was just recovering from a minor surgery and also pre-occupied with a family marriage function but was in constant touch over phone giving his valuable views.

Shri K.V. Acharya profusely thanked all the constituents for the wonderful demonstration of unity and maintaining perfect harmony while discussing and dealing with the issues. He also thanked IOB Officers Association for giving the beautiful venue for the meeting and thanked Tamilnadu State AIBPRC and ARISE for organizing the eventful meeting at Chennai. We are confident of marching ahead with added vigour and vibrance unmindful of our age and other constrains as Retiree Organisations we are facing and hopeful of achieving success in the very near future. We call upon all constituents to ensure implementation of the action Programmes vigorously.

Thanking you,

Yours Comradely,

(A .Ramesh Babu)

(K.V.Acharya)

Joint Conveners