



## ALL INDIA BANK PENSIONERS' & RETIREES' CONFEDERATION (A.I.B.P.A.R.C.)

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Dear Comrades.

Sub: Demonstration by pensioners and retirees at different centers of the country at the call of CBPRO/AIBPARC – today's report is about our programme at Thiruvananthapuram and Hyderabad

A massive dharna/demonstration was held on 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 at Thiruvananthapuram by the constituents of CBPRO. Members of All Kerala Bank Retirees Forum (BEFI) also joined the mammoth assembly in front of the government secretariat and also opposite to the Regional Office of Union Bank. Several hundred retirees attended the programme. Dharna was inaugurated by Com. K. Rajeevan, President, SBI Pensioners' Association, Kerala. Other speakers who addressed the gathering are Comrades C. Gopinathan Nair (AIBRF), Abraham Shaji John, Secretary, AIBOC Kerala Unit, N. Raghavan (NCBE), P.V. Jose (AKBRF) and A. Jayakumar (SBIPAK). The speakers from AIBPARC were Com. P.B. Thomas, President, Com. R. Chandrasenan, Secretary, Com. Gireesh Kumar, Secretary, Trivandrum Dist. Committee. The programme was a great success.

We have pleasure to inform you that the state unit in consultation with the constituents of CBPRO have already held and will be holding similar such programmes at other important centers of the country. We are waiting for the reports and circular will be issued on a future date.

## **Programme at Hyderabad**:

A massive dharna/demonstration was held at Indira Park, Hyderabad on 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2019 at the call of CBPRO/AIBPARC. The programme was a huge success. There was inclement weather and heavy downpour on the previous night. Despite all dis-favours from the climate, there was enthusiastic participation of all units affiliated to AIBPARC and other constituents. The speakers who addressed the gathering demanded early wage revision for the banking sector, updation of pension, increase in pension to 50% in SBI, improvement of family pension in line with govt. employees, DA neutralisation to pre-2002 retirees, reckoning of special allowance for superannuation benefits and demand for full subsidization of the premium of group mediclaim by banks, increase of gratuity from 01.01.2016 etc.

Com. Ramesh Babu, Jt. Convenor, CBPRO, informed the large gathering how every effort is being made by himself and Com. Acharya in resolving the issues of retirees. Other speakers who addressed the gathering include: Com. C. Gangadhar Yadav, Working President, AIBPARC, Com. PVLN Sharma, Senior leader, AIBPARC, Com. K. Suryanarayana Murthy, VP, Com. K. Suresh Babu, VP, Com. M. Chakrapani (SBH), Com. Nagesh (Vijaya), Com. Subbarao (Federal), Com. N. Rammohan Rao (UCO), Com. Krishna Kumar (SBI) and Com. Purusottam (IOB). The presence of lady members was remarkably good. It was a matter of pleasure that leaders of serving organisations addressed the gathering. They are Com. Nagesh (BOI) and Com. Mallikarjuna Rao (CBI). Com. Gangadhar Rao, the principal speaker, observed that the pension corpus was sufficient to take care of the demands of the retirees but what is lacking is the sensitive attitude of IBA. He appealed to pensioners to be cautious about the machination of IBA at the last stage. He also demanded immediate resolution of the issue of special allowance. Com. K. Prabhakhar, State secretary, thanked all the leaders present and informed at great detail the success of the dharna programmeat different other centers of the country.

The next circular will cover the success of programmes organized at different state capitals of eastern and north eastern part of the country.

With best wishes,

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