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Dear Comrade,

Sub: XIth Annual Conference of ARISE takes place in Chennai in the midst of grandeur and massive participation of members, well wishers and associates on 7<sup>th</sup> September, 2014.

The inaugural session started right at 10.30 a.m. By that time, the entire hall and the shamiana erected outside was filled to optimum capacity. Members came from all the corners of the country. Presence of large number of former and present executives of the Bank, leaders of various trade unions, senior politicians and dignitaries from different segments of society added value of the organisation.

Com. S.B.C. Karunakaran in his report stated, inter alia, the statutory rights in Pension Regulations for Pension updation which is based on fundamental right to equality. He also covered other issues like discrimination in payment of DA to certain group of Retirees, improvement of family Pension and improved medical benefits etc. Com. K.s. Rengarajan, President, stressed the need of strengthening the organisation.

Com. S.R. Sengupta, General Secretary, AIBPARC elaborated on the issues with which the Bank Retirees are today confronted with. He appraised the house about various initiatives and activities undertaken by the organisation to resolve the issues. He profusely thanked the leaders activists and

members of ARISE for organizing such a grand show. He observed that every time he attends the assembly of ARISE, he gets more rejuvenated and confident.

Com. K.V. Acharya, President, AIBPARC and Vice-President, ARISE, inspired huge confidence among members present by his logic-based arguments. He felt that most of the demands of the Retirees are expected to be fulfilled within a reasonable period. That is why, he stressed on further consolidation.

The audience got immense inspiration from the speeches of the patrons of the organisation – Com. J.D. Sharma and Com. Anandakumar. As both the patrons are top level leaders of AIBOC and directly associated with the negotiation process, they assured the Retirees that their principal demands would be simultaneously discussed and resolved with finalisation of wage revision talks of the working employees.

Com. Chandrasekharan, State Secretary, AIBPARC, praised the massive strength of ARISE and felt that AIBPARC would get added confidence from its affiliate. Com. M.R. Gopinath Rao, Vice-President, ARISE, showered flowery tributes of gratitude to all those who made the inaugural conference successful and the business session a purposeful one.

The Delegate Session was also largely attended and highly participative. All usual deliberations were conducted in a disciplined manner.

Comrades, AIBPARC notes it with pleasure and satisfaction that the tremendous success of the XIth Annual Conference of ARISE will go a long way to consolidate the movement of the Bank Retirees not only in the Southern Part but also in the entire country. Let ARISE march from strength to strength in days to come.

With pre-Puja greetings

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