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## (For circulation among all the members of the Managing Committee as well as the Governing Council of AIBPARC, Special Invitees, State Secretaries and Advisors with a request to percolate the information to the grassroots.)

Dear Comrades,

- Sub : (1) Kerala State Committee of AIBPARC undertakes various programmes on Bank Nationalisation Day.
  - (2) Delhi State Committee of AIBPARC plays a pro-active role to make the 9<sup>th</sup> August, Programmes of AIBOC (March to Parliament) a grand success.

It is customary with Kerala State Committee of AIBPARC to organize massive gathering, procession, convention and programmes of different demonstrative nature on or before 19<sup>th</sup> July every year to focus before the common man the issues for which nationalization was done and the need for which the public sector character of banks are to be maintained at any cost. This year has not also be an exception.

The state committee met at Ernkulam on 9<sup>th</sup> June, 2016 to chalk out the programmes of the year. It was decided that a convention would be held at Thiruvananthapuram on 18<sup>th</sup> July on the eve of 47<sup>th</sup> anniversary of bank nationalisation day and a massive dharna and public meeting would be held at Kottayam on 19<sup>th</sup> July, 2016.

More than 300 retirees attended the convention held at the auditorium of ABOA – SBT Unit. The convention presided over by comrade P.B. Thomas, President of the state committee was addressed among others by comrade R. Chandrasenan, state secretary, com. Abraham Shaji John, state secretary of AIBOC, com. K. Vijay Kumar, Vice-President, AIBPARC, com. N. Rajkumar, Dy. General Secretary, AIBPARC, and com. Girish Kumar, secretary, District committee of AIBPARC. The principal speaker of the convention was Com. K.V. Acharya, President, AIBPARC. He congratulated the state committee for undertaking different programmes at different places. He narrated the background of the formation of CBPRO and assured that no stone would be left unturned to achieve the aspiration of the retirees. He expected that a favourable decision might come soon at least on two issues – 100% DA neutralization to pre-November, 2002 retirees and enhancement of family pension.

On 19<sup>th</sup> July, 2016, several hundred bank retirees coming from different parts of the state gathered in the old police station ground, central junction, Kottayam. The public meeting was presided over by com. P.B. Thomas and welcome address was given by com. R.Chandrasenan. The dharna was formally inaugurated by com. V.B. Binu, state secretary, AITUC. He recalled the wonderful transformation of society and complemented the hard task undertaken by the people of the bank in the post nationalization era. Com. K.V. Acharya, President, AIBPARC told the gathering that the retirees of the banking sector who have given their youth for the betterment of countrymen definitely deserve a better treatment from the society and the government at the end of their life. The bankmen are responsible for green revolution, white revolution, industrial revolution and what not. The number of branches have increased manifold and situated in the furthest parts of the country. The bankmen are craving for justice. When government is allowing regular updation of pension to its own employees through pay commission, why the same is denied to bankers? Among others, com. K. Vijay Kumar, Com. N. Rajkumar, com. K.P. Rajasekharan spoke on the occasion.

2. AIBPARC Delhi State Unit did some wonderful activity to ensure the success of the historical programme of AIBOC on 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2016. Members have already seen our earlier circular in this regard in which we have given selective quotes from the circular of AIBOC. Although it was an exhaustive one, we could not mention in detail the initiatives undertaken by the Delhi State Committee of AIBPARC. On receipt of the report of the state committee, we mention hereunder some more activities undertaken by them.

In view of a request by AIBOC, Delhi State Unit, to AIBPARC to join the historic programme, the state committee swung into action. The secretary and the president called for an emergent meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> August, 2016 where Com. K.V. Acharya, President AIBPARC was also present. A decision was taken that all the affiliates would be doing best possible efforts to mobilize their retirees to the historic programme of 9<sup>th</sup> August. True to the commitments, each affiliate tried their best and very appreciable number of retirees joined the programme.

We sincerely congratulate the state committees of Kerala and Delhi for their active involvement in different programmes. We hope that such participation will consolidate the retirees more and more. The society and the government will have to perceive that the retirees of the banking sector are also a force to reckon with.

With best wishes,

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