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(For circulation among members of the governing council of AIBPARC, State Secretaries, Special Invitees and Advisors.)

Dear Comrade,

Sub : Felicitation of members of the Reception Committee (Third Triennial General BodyConference held at Chennai on 30th & 31st March, 2019) by AIBPARC

We have much pleasure to inform members that a decent function was organized by AIBPARC at the Auditorium of IOBOA Guest House at Chennai on 14th May, 2019 to felicitate the members of the Reception Committee, the volunteers, the activists, the leaders and the veterans stationed in the city who laboured hard with dedication and sincerity to make the above conference an astounding success.

- The function started with one minute silence maintained in memory of Com. Ramji, former General Secretary of IOBOA and also of IOB Retirees' Association. He passed away the previous day. Several speakers paid tributes by recalling his contributions to the movement of serving people and also of the retirees. The house passed a resolution recollecting his contribution and by conveying message of bereavement to the members of the family.
- Nearly 100 persons were present in the function which was presided over by Com. SBC Karunakaran, the President of the State Unit of AIBPARC. Com. K. Chandrasekharan, Secretary of the Unit in his initial remarks observed that it was a symbolic honour given by AIBPARC to the retirees of the entire state. The holding of the conference, he felt, has definitely brightened the image of the organisation to a great extent in the state. He thanked the President and the General Secretary of AIBPARC for their personal presence in the function.
- Com. S. Sarkar, General Secretary, expressed thanks and gratitude to all the comrades whose dedication could make so successful a conference. The delegates and observers coming from different parts of the country highly appreciated the systematic approach and disciplined functioning of the volunteers and leaders who managed every department in a hassle-free manner and with microscopic precision. Apprising the members about recent happenings, he observed that no tangible decision by any quarter can be taken unless a popular government takes charge at the end of the month and gets time to settle down. Till then AIBPARC is working hard to work for larger coordination with serving and retirees' organisations.

- At the request of Com. K.V. Acharya, President, Com. SBC Karunakaran explained the position and implication of different court cases on calculation of gratuity. As regards the recent verdict of Supreme Court on a case pertaining to an RRB of Madhya Pradesh, he felt that a representation can be made before IBA in the following lines : when the RRBs by different verdicts of Supreme Court are getting salary, perquisites and pension on the ground of parity with nationalised banks, the same demand can be done by the people of nationalized banks for extension of the benefit of the latest judgment on grounds of parity since all RRBs are sponsored by nationalised banks.
- Com. K.V. Acharya, President, observed that in democracy, number always matters. Keeping this dictum in mind, the huge attendance on the day of inauguration was a good message to all the organisations be it of serving people or of the retirees, to the government and the society as a whole. The dedication of the audience can be explained by a brief mention that even at 9 p.m., the house was almost full. This conference, right from the beginning to the end, has been so successfully and systematically conducted that it would be remembered as a landmark event in the history of bank retirees. He thanked all participants of this meeting and requested them to carry forward the message to others. He briefed in detail about the meeting with AIBRF and also the proposed meeting with serving organisation which would take place in near future. Com. Acharya also appreciated the good coverage given by print and electronic media and it was also a success of the Reception Committee.
- We mention with pride and honour that the nice air-conditioned auditorium of IOBOA was given to us free of cost by the said organisation. The General Secretary and President of IOBOA were present all through. The speech of GS IOBOA enthused the entire house. We shall be failing in our duties if we do not mention the cost of food for the day was paid our affiliate ARISE.
- A small memento was handed over by President and General Secretary of AIBPARC to each member of the Reception Committee, the volunteers, the leaders and veterans of the city individually. This gesture on the part of AIBPARC was liked by each one present in the meeting.

Comrades, the function was decent in all respect. We congratulate the entire state committee for the programme which has been unique of its kind.

With best wishes,

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