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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 of AIBPARC.)

Dear Comrade,

## Sub : IT exemption on Pension.

We reproduce hereunder the text of CBPRO letter dated 08.12.2017 addressed to the Union Finance Minister on the abovementioned subject.

This is for information of members,

With best wishes,

( SUPRITA SARKAR ) ACTING GENERAL SECRETARY

<u>QUOTE :</u>

Dated: 08.12.2017

Shri Arun Jaitleyji, Hon'ble Finance Minister, Government of India, Ministry of Finance, North Block, New Delhi 110001

Respected Sir,

## Union Budget 2018-19 Income Tax exemption on Pension

We wish to introduce ourselves as a Coordination of five major National Organisations of Bank Pensioners and Retirees namely Federation of SBI Pensioners' Associations, AIBPARC, RBONC, AIRBEA and FORBE, having more than 4 lacs membership. The Senior Citizens above the age of sixty are extended the benefit of Rs. 50,000.00 in the threshold limit exempt from payment from income tax up to a ceiling of Rs. 300,000.00 as against Rs. 250,000.00 for others. The Retirees being the Senior Citizens have been expressing financial hardship mainly on account of rising cost of sustenance, healthcare, price rise etc. The Senior Citizens have been very severely hit by adverse movement of interest rates on their small savings and Bank deposits. In a developing economy, such adverse indicators are bound to hit the fixed income group people more so the Senior Citizens. The impact on Family Pensioners gets compounded in view of the meagre amount of Family Pension drawn by them.

We therefore humbly request Your Good-self to consider complete exemption from payment of Income Tax to Pensioners and Retirees to the extent of their income from Pension and interest on Small Savings and Bank Deposits. While providing succour to Senior Citizens, such an exemption shall go a long way to further enhance the goodwill and image of the Government of the day amongst the Senior Citizens of the country.

Kindly do the needful in the ensuing budget.

Joint Conveners

With respectful regards,

Yours sincerely,

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