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(For circulation among members of the Governing Council, State Secretaries, Special Invitees, Advisors, Affiliates, Constituents of CBPRO and Members.)

Dear comrade,

Sub: SLP(C) No. 5561/2016 - Petitioners: M.C. SINGLA & ORS VS UNION OF INDIA-Impleader - ARISE(Our affiliate in IOB)

Members are already aware of the fact that the hearing of the above case was fixed yesterday (5<sup>th</sup> September, 2023) at Supreme Court Hall no. 8 item no 17. Members, who are technically equipped, started watching the proceeding of the Court with terrific enthusiasm and curiosity. We report hereunder a synopsis of the message received from **Com. S.B.C. Karunakaran**, our working **President:** 

Our lawyers were ready to argue the case and the matter was passed over to be heard later in the day. The Senior Advocate, engaged by our affiliate ARISE and the other one, engaged by All India Punjab National Bank Retired Officers Association were briefed to the last detail by **Com. J.D. Sharma, our Vice President**. Unfortunately, our case could not be taken up yesterday when the Court rose up for the day. However, on a specific request by our lawyer, Shri Sewa Ram, The Court ordered for a specific date and **the hearing stands adjourned to 10<sup>th</sup> October, 2023.** 

We received different queries from members throughout the whole day about a confusion persisting in regard to the next date. The date of 6<sup>th</sup> October, 2023 was shown even before lunch. It was a tentative date. As our lawyer submitted before the Hon'ble Judge for fixing a date, it was fixed on 10<sup>th</sup> October, 2023.

We understand that members are disappointed as all of them expected that the arguments would commence on 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2023. We are happy to inform our members that both the Senior Advocates are pleased with the inputs given by Com. J.D. Sharma, our Vice President and Shri Sewa Ram, our Advocate and they are very confident about the enforceability of our statutory right to seek implementation of pension updation. Let us eagerly wait for the developments to come on 10<sup>th</sup> October, 2023. We convey our sincerest thanks to all our Delhi Comrades for undertaking the pains and labour. We have no words to describe the efforts of Com. K.V. Acharya, our President, in closely monitoring the case and for maintaining continuous liaison with PNB Retirees - petitioners.

Let us hope for the best to come. October is the month of festivals. Senior citizens of the country are eagerly waiting to see what good news comes for them.

With best wishes & regards,

Suprita Sarkar General Secretary