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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 : Hectic organizational activities undertaken by AIBPARC on 4th & 5th March, 2018 on the occasion of holding the first meeting of the managing committee (extended) for the calendar year 2018 on 5th March, 2018.

AIBPARC, Trivandrum Area Committee organized a massively attended general meeting at KSRTC Employees' Union hall on 4th March, 2018. Presided over by Com. P.B. Thomas, 350 persons remained present. Following national leaders addressed the house : Com. K.V.Acharya, Com. K.B. Ballur, Com. Suprita Sarkar, Com. Gangadhar Yadav, Com. R. Chandrasenan and Com. Abraham Shaji John, State Secretary, AIBOC. The leaders apprised the members about different initiatives undertaken by the leadership in impressing upon the demands of retirees and pensioners of the banking sector. The leadership also assured the house that the organisation may think of demonstrative programmes once again if favourable response is not available within a reasonable time. The district secretary of AIBPARC Trivandrum district committee who tried very hard to make the meeting a successful one thanked all the leaders and the members present.

2. On 5th March, 2018, the managing committee (extended) had its meeting at the famous Trivandrum Club. The members of the governing council from different parts of the country attended the meeting. The leaders once again proved that they were retired but not tired. At the outset, Com. K.V. Acharya, President in his introductory remarks offered an overview of the entire scenario. He covered the situation of the industry and industrial relations, certain favourable judgements which have come recently in favour of the

retirees, the initiatives taken by the organisation with different authorities including the Prime Minister of the country and called upon the members for deliberations so that meaningful decisions can be taken at the end of the day.

3. Before placement of the report of general secretary for consideration of the house, Com. K.V. Acharya, President in consultation with senior office-bearers of the organisation submitted a proposal before the house that Com. Suprita Sarkar, Joint General Secretary who was working as the Acting General Secretary of the organisation will henceforth be the General Secretary of the organisation for the remaining period of the term. The house unanimously endorsed the proposal and greeted Com. Suprita Sarkar.

4 The General Secretary submitted an elaborate written report covering issues which include, inter-alia, bereavement, national and international events, general economic and banking scenario, industrial relations in banks, organizational developments which took place in between the last meeting and the present one including itemwise issues of retirees, certain developments that happened in All India Punjab National Bank Pensioners' & Retirees' Association, accounts, a short review of the present situation and a few suggestions as to what may be the future course of action.

5. The house remembered with great regard and fondness the contribution of Com. S. R. Sengupta to the trade union movement as well as retiree movement of the country. It was also decided that every year the state committees on rotation will organise one memorial lecture in honour of Com. S.R. Sengupta in consultation with the central leaders on issues relating to country's economy, trade union movement, retirees' movement and allied issues. The house also expressed deep condolence for the demise of Com. R. N. Banerjee, President,

Federation of SBI Pensioners' Association, Com. N.M.Sundaram, the legendary leader of the insurance sector and Com. Lakshminarsyya, former General Secretary of NCBE and former convenor of UFBU.

6. The house discussed at length the situation prevailing in All India Punjab National Bank Pensioners' & Retirees' Association. The views of both the factions who are demanding that they are the true leaders of the above organisation were considered in great detail. The house also noted the contents of a letter of Com. Dilip Saha, General Secretary, All India Punjab National Bank Officers' Association and the President of AIBOC dated 14.11.2017 addressed to President AIBPARC stating that the organisation in the name and style of All India Punjab National Bank Pensioners' & Retirees' Association, an affiliate of AIBPARC headed by Com. Ashoke De, President and Com. P.K. Malhotra, General Secretary is recognized by the affiliate of AIBOC in the bank. The house after deliberations decided that AIBPARC would recognize the faction headed by Com. Ashoke De, President and Com. P.K. Malhotra, General Secretary as its affiliate.

7. 25 members of the governing council participated on the report of the General Secretary. They spoke on a wide variety of subjects – problems of associate banks and private sector banks, difficulties faced by member in getting reimbursement from the TPA, reluctance of government and IBA to respond to the issues of the retirees, IBA's not following an honest litigation policy as a result of which retirees are being forced to knock the doors of judiciary again and again, present situation of the industry and wage revision talks, serious concern of the

house against efforts to malign the public sector banks and to make a propaganda that privatization is the only panacea of all evils and outlines of future course of action.

8. Decision was also taken that necessary resolution would be sent to bank to record the signatures of President, newly appointed General Secretary and Treasurer with an instruction that the account will be operated jointly by any two of the three .It was also decided that all defaulting affiliates would clear their subscriptions for the year ending 31.03.2018 as early as possible. A correction was also recorded in the house that our affiliate in Syndicate Bank was not at default and the said organisation cleared their subscriptions upto 31.03.2018.

9. President and General Secretary summarized the discussions and offered replies to queries raised by the members. Following decisions were taken :

- a) The organisation will make an aggressive campaign highlighting the tremendous contribution of the public sector banks to implement the economic policies of the government and to play a beneficial role to the society and the nation. In the said campaign, total opposition will be made against the slogans of privatization.
- b) The organisation will continue to make its follow-up measures of GOI, IBA, UFBU, Union ministers, bureaucracy and the political parties to impress upon the need to be mindful about the long pending issues of the retirees.
- c) If no response is forthcoming, the organisation will not hesitate to go for demonstrative actions. The programme and nature of demonstrative action will be finalized after making due consultation with the components of CBPRO.

10. The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the host council for all excellent arrangements made by them, to the leaders who travelled long distance to attend the meeting and to the presidium who conducted the meeting with a beautiful time management. Comrades, we believe that the organizational activities undertaken during the period by AIBPARC will further consolidate the retirees' movement in this part of the country.

With best wishes,

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GENERAL SECRETARY