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

Dear Comrades,

Sub: Co- ordination among apex level retiree organizations in the Banking Industry.

- 1. Reference may please be made to our earlier circular number 47-24 dated May 31, 2024 wherein we have informed in detail the gist of correspondence between AIBRF and AIBPARC and enclosed 3 letters of recent dates for information and perusal of GC members of AIBPARC and other constituents of CBPRO.
- 2. We know it very well that the retirees of the industry will not be comfortable and also will not appreciate any discord among apex level organizations. But at the same time, we are duty bound to inform all concerned about the developments, for two reasons transparency of functioning is the keyword of AIBPARC and that AIBPARC is always sincere in its attempt to forge larger unity on any reasonable term. We also feel that members should be kept informed of the attempts on the part of AIBRF to create an alternative forum in the name of taking up and spearheading the demand of having Pension as 3<sup>rd</sup> benefit as against the Pension Settlement of 1993 signed between the Employees Unions and Officers Organisation. This is with one intention only. That is to divert and derail our struggle for Pension Updation which has already gathered a tremendous momentum which is likely to yield success in the very near future.
- 3. General Secretary, AIBRF, again wrote a letter to us on 28.05.24 making certain observations which are very difficult for us to digest because the facts on each count are placed otherwise. As there is a possibility of creation of confusion in the minds of members, we have decided to bring both the letters (AIBRF's letter dated 28.05.2024 and our reply to the same) to the notice of members so that they can understand and appreciate the views of our organization. We also feel that this continuation of exchange of correspondence on the same subject should stop somewhere and we shall try to put an end to it until and unless it is absolutely warranted.

With best wishes and regards,

K.V. Acharya. President, AIBPARC

& Joint Convener, CBPRO.

Encl: As stated

Suprita Sarkar General Secretary



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6<sup>th</sup> Conference Slogan- Pension Updation is Right of Bank Retirees

Ref. No. 2024/096 Date: 28.05.2024

Shri K.V. Acharya / Shri Suprita Sarkar President / General Secretary AIBPARC

Dear Sir,

Re: Coordination among apex level Bank Retiree Organizations

We are in receipt of your letter no. AIBPARC/Co-ordination/ E-mail/ 2024 dated 21.05.2024 and noted its contents.

- 2. In response to your above letter, we wish to invite your attention on the following facts
  - (a) AIBRF is one of the founder members of CBPRO and took leading part in its formation.
  - (b) For the sake of larger bank retiree unity, AIBRF agreed to dismantle the apex level body of United Forum of Bank Retiree Organizations (UFBRO) headed by AIBRF and appealed the constituents of UFBRO to become part of CBPRO. We did not hesitate for the sake of unity
  - (c) <u>For various reasons our continuance in CBPRO became difficult, we still worked closely together with CBPRO on some identified issued of retirees and issued 8 joint communications (CBPRO & AIBRF) during 2018, 2019 and later on.</u>
  - (d) For quite sometime we have not come across in social media any communication/circular/representation issued by CBPRO.
  - (e) We find that Dharna Programs proposed to held in February, 2024, all communications were issued by AIBPARC. We did not come across any communication of CBPRO for this action plan.

## (f) <u>Please advise us brief details of organizational activities carried by CBPRO in last two years and names of present constituents of CBPRO to consider your proposal.</u>

- 3. You will kindly agree that coordination among top level bank organization is bigger issue and need consultation, discussion and exchange of ideas on continuous basis. Steps taken by any organization on this issue should be taken as supplementary and supportive and not competitive.
- 4. We would request you to consider our invitation in the above prospective and request you to attend Joint meeting of 19.06.204 to strengthen retiree unity and to take bank retiree issues forward for resolution.

With Warm Greetings,

Yours Sincerely,

(S. C. JAIN)

**GENERAL SECRETARY** 

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# ALL INDIA BANK PENSIONERS' & RETIREES' CONFEDERATION (A.I.B.P.A.R.C.)



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Date: June 01, 2024.

AIBPARC/Co-ordination/Email/2024

Shri S.C. Jain, General Secretary, AIBRF, Indore.

Dear Shri Jain.

Sub: Co-ordination among apex level Bank Retiree Organizations.

Ref: Your letter number: 2024/096 dated 28.05.2024

We record hereunder our comments in response to various observations made by you in the letter under reference:

- 1. There is no denying the fact that AIBRF had been one of the founder Organisations of CBPRO. At the same time, it is also true that from the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting onwards (held in the year 2015), AIBRF started displaying a discordant note mainly on the issue of holding Joint convenor post along with Federation of SBI Pensioners' Associations and AIBPARC and on the other hand insisted that you should be made the sole convenor of CBPRO.
- 2. As the Federation of SBI Pensioners' Associations took the initiative to bring in coordination among all apex level Bank Pensioners and Retirees Organisations it was agreed by all Apex level organisations of Bank Pensioners and Retirees to have coordination in the name and style of CBPRO (Coordination of Bank Pensioners and Retirees Organisations) in the place of UFBRO. But you continued to insist on becoming the sole Convener of CBPRO despite persuasions by all other Constituents of CBPRO to you to agree to become Joint Convenor along with Federation of SBI Pensioners' Associations and AIBPARC.
- **3**. There had not been any cognizable reason for continuance on the part of AIBRF, but the sole reason was that the constituents of CBPRO did not agree to offer sole convenor ship to AIBRF as per your demands.
- **4**. You know it very well that due to pandemic CORONA, the functioning of CBPRO got a jolt for quite some time and now it has streamlined its functioning by having CBPRO Meeting in February 2024 at New Delhi and the next meeting is being held in July 2024 in New Delhi to pursue the important issues of Bank Pensioners and Retirees post Lok Sabha elections and formation of the Government.
- **5.** Circulars/ letters are issued on common issues concerning SBI Pensioners and Public Sector/Private Sector Banks by the Joint Convenors of CBPRO. On other issues Circulars/ letters sent by AIBPARC along the with the signature of the President of AIBPARC also as Joint Convenor of CBPRO.
- **6**. The Dharna held in September 2022 was addressed by all the Leaders of the Constituents of CBPRO with their members participating in good numbers which eventually helped in having a meaningful dialogue with the Hon'ble Union Finance Minister and at the behest of the Hon'ble Minister, IBA called us for a detailed discussion as a result of which issues like 100 Percent DA to Pre November 2002 Retirees, Improvement in Ex gratia for Pre 1986 Retirees and Option for Pension to Resignees got resolved one by one. Even Ex gratia to Pensioners is given as an interim arrangement pending final resolution seeing the force in our argument citing the provision for Updation of Pension in the Pension Regulation 35.1.
- 7. Hope we have adequately explained to your letter dated 28th May 2024.

We are very sincere in our approach in requesting your Esteemed Organisation, AIBRF to join CBPRO and we are equally cordial and keen that your Esteemed Organisation, AIBRF should accept the post of Joint convenor along with Federation of SBI Pensioners' Associations and AIBPARC and work together to get justice to Bank Pensioners and Retirees. We very earnestly request you attend the proposed meeting of CBPRO in New Delhi during July, 2024. We believe that you will accept our request.

With best wishes and regards,

K.V. Acharya. President, AIBPARC

& Jt. Conveners, CBPRO

Suprita Sarkar General Secretary

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