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To All Members (Please Circulate)

We reproduce hereunder the Circular No. 36 dated 10.04.2017 issued by General Secretary, All India State Bank Officers' Federation, the contents of which are self-explicit.

With revolutionary greetings,

Soumya Datta
(General Secretary)

To all our Affiliates / Members:

COM.B.B.DAS, FORMER PRESIDENT AND VETERAN TRADE UNIONIST FROM BENGAL PASSED AWAY



In the afternoon of 10th April, 2017 the cruel hands of fate took away yet another precious gem from our trade union fraternity from Bengal, Com.B.B.Das when he breathed his last after succumbing to multiple organ failure due to acute diabetic with which he was suffering. He was around 76 years

2. He was a veteran trade union leader from Bengal Circle and was in the center stage of the Trade Union movement of the Federation, Confederation, PWTUC, UFBU during turbulent days. He was instrumental in consolidating the bank officers' movement under the banner of the Federation in the State. He provided an excellent leadership to the Confederation as well, as the State Secretary of West Bengal State unit and extended total support to the bank unions in the State.

3. Com.Das, joined the Bank Officers' movement when he was promoted as an Officer in State Bank of India in the 1970's and started his career from the grass root level. With his organizing ability and humane approach to the problems of the members soon he became a lovable leader among the entire Bengal Circle. Considering his experience and acceptability to all the members he was chosen to become the General Secretary of the Circle Association during the middle of 1980's. He was a great source of strength to the Federation as well as the Confederation. Due to his organizing skill he could make the Bengal State Unit of AIBOC as one of the powerful state unit under the banner of the Confederation. He also built the Circle Association and took it closer to the membership all over Bengal Circle. He was instrumental in providing social welfare content to the Association by establishing various social organizations under the banner of the Circle Association. The Co-operative Credit Society flourished under his leadership, provided a tremendous opportunity to the Circle Association to take up several social welfare projects including encouragement to the wards of the members providing scholarship etc. They also held maximum number of blood donation camps that was highly appreciated by the State Government. The Circle Association under his leadership took a lot of initiatives to provide various facilities to the members of the Circle Association. He was a mass leader known to each and every member of the Circle Association. He also took care of the welfare of the family members as well. He was highly respected by the Circle Management for his positive and humane approach in dealing with all the HR issues.

4. The Bengal Circle Association received a tremendous projection during his stay in the Office of the General Secretary and it could conduct the Triennial Conference of the Confederation and the Federation in a grand manner. He also took keen interest and organized the PWTUC Conference in Kolkatta in a grand manner and enabled the Public Sector Units to see the organizing ability of the bank unions from close quarters. He was a source of strength to the leadership of the Federation and Confederation. In recognition of his valuable services to the trade union movement he was chosen to head the Federation as its President during 2000-2002. He played an important role in the negotiations with the Corporate Center and was instrumental in finding solutions to several critical issues as the President of the Federation during his stay in the office. He held this position until his retirement from the Bank on superannuation.

5. Com.B.B.Das, leaves behind him a son, and a daughter as well as his wife. We join to express our condolences to the bereaved family and pray almighty to give them strength and courage to stand up to this great loss on this occasion.

6. We dip our banner in honour of memory of the great leader and pray almighty for grant of eternal peace to the departed soul in the heavenly abode.

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