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To All Members (Please Circulate)

We reproduce hereunder the Circular No. 86 dated 08.08.2017 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:

<u>1st Zonal Conference of State Bank of India Officers' Association,</u> Chandigarh Circle (Patiala Module) on 29th July, 2017 at Patiala

The Bank's Auditorium, in SBI, A.O. Building, Patiala was jam packed with the enthusiastic members of SBIOA Chandigarh Circle who witnessed the historic Zonal Conference which is first of its kind in Chandigarh Circle after merger of ABs. The Chief Guest of the Conference was Shri. Sanjay Kumar, General Manager (Network-I), Chandigarh Circle. Com. D T Franco Rajendra Dev, President, AISBOF and Com. Y Sudarshan, General Secretary, AISBOF delivered the keynote address and introductory remarks. Com. Sushil Kundra, President & Com. Deepak Sharma General Secretary of SBIOA, Chandigarh Circle and Mrs. Nishi Bhatnagar, DGM (B&O), Patiala Module were the guests of honour. After the floral welcome of the guests, the inaugural session commenced with lighting of lamp by Chief Guest Sh. Sanjay Kumar, Com D.T.Franco, Com. Y Sudarshan, Com Sushil Kundra, Com. Deepak Sharma, Com Charanjit Singh, Mrs Nishi Bhatnagar, Com Harinder Gupta and Com Rajiv Sirhindi.

2. Press Meet before Zonal Conference- Before the start of Zonal Conference which was scheduled for 6:00 p.m. in Bank's Auditorium situated in A.O. Patiala building at Sheranwala Gate, The Mall, a press conference was arranged wherein as many as 40 press reporters from different news channels and paper/magazine were present. Our beloved leaders Com D T Franco and Com Y. Sudarshan replied to the queries of the media men. Wide spread coverage was extended in many TV Channels and newspapers including Times of India, The Tribune and Hindustan Times.

3. Opening of SBIOA Office in A. O. Building- After the conclusion of successful Press Meet, the office of SBIOA, Patiala Module was inaugurated jointly by Com D. T. Franco and Com Y. Sudarshan. A pooja was also performed before cutting of ribbon. State Committee members of AIBOC Punjab were also present on the occasion.

4. Zonal Conference- The Zonal Conference of SBIOA, Chandigarh Circle (Patiala Module) started with the arrival of Chief Guest Shri Sanjay Kumar, GM Network-I, State Bank of India, Chandigarh Circle. The President and Dy. General Secretary of Patiala Module Com Harinder Gupta and Com Rajiv Sirhindi welcomed the dignitaries on the dais by garlanding them. The function started with lightening of lamp.

5. The Dy. General Secretary, Patiala Module, Com. Rajiv Sirhindi in his welcome address expressed his gratitude to the dignitaries on the dais, distinguished guests, veteran leaders, Central Committee Members and other Officers present in the conference.

6. Com. Sushil Kundra, President, Chandigarh Circle while welcoming the elite guests in his welcome address highlighted the performance of current circle association team who took over after the retirement of Sh DPS Chhabra & Co-option of Com Deepak Sharma as General Secretary and Com Sushil Kundra as President. Com Kundra also apprised about recent visits to branches in all the parts of the circle and convening of meetings at conference to have feedback from grass root level. Mrs. Nishi Bhatnagar, DGM (B&O), Patiala Module also expressed her views.

7. Comrade Deepak Sharma, the young and energetic General Secretary, Chandigarh Circle was welcomed by the members on the Dais with a huge round of applause. He started his speech with slogans 'State Bank of India Zindabad', AIBOC Zindabad', AISBOF Zindabad and SBIOA Zindabad' and expressed his gratitude towards comrades of Patiala for organizing the conference in a grand manner. He impressed upon the maintenance of work-life balance while working for the progress and development of business of the Bank. He touched many issues concerning members in a precise manner and conveyed his eagerness along with that of Circle membership to listen to the guests of Honour Com D. T Franco and Com Y Sudarshan present on the occasion.

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8. The Chief Guest of the event, Shri. Sanjay Kumar, GM Network-I, addressed the officers. He said that the Management is also concerned with the work-life balance and all steps have been taken to maintain it. He shared his experiences and thoughts with the officers present in the conference. He suggested that every officer should inculcate within himself the habit of reading and imbibing upcoming Trends in technology and Products. He reiterated that every officer should do his work sincerely following all systems and procedures.

9. The Zonal Conference was then enlightened by the address of Com. Y. Sudarshan, General Secretary; AISBOF appreciated the wonderful manner in which the Zonal Conference has been organized by the Chandigarh Circle Association. He echoed the sentiments of the members and assured that this time the cherished demand of having 5 days week would surely be fulfilled. Referring to the problems of the Officers working in the bank, he referred to the difficulties encountered by the single officer branches, the pressure for cross selling, the issues related to CDS, specialist officers. He said that the Federation would continue to look after the welfare and interest of all the members and continue to provide support to the movement launched by AIBOC to safeguard the interest of the PSU Banks. He opined that if adequate staff were recruited, there would be no need for door-to-door marketing. He urged upon the need to have a meaningful joint co-ordination committee between both Federations for taking up several key issues.

10. Com. D. T. Franco Rajendradev, the President of the Federation and General Secretary of AIBOC in his address complimented the Chandigarh Circle Association for the excellent show of solidarity and unity. He informed the house that a Parliamentary Committee report vindicated the view that the much hyped Demonetisation exercise was a complete failure. It has affected the normal functioning of the PSU Banks. He stated that 11000 borrowers had garnered more than 30% of the total credit in the country. Inclusive credit was not happening. Despite pressure from the Supreme Court, RBI was not divulging the names of top willful corporate defaulters. He suggested that a transparency in CDS is the need of the hour. A 270 degree appraisal, where the reporting authority would be evaluated is the need of the hour. He also highlighted the importance of new concept "PEOPLE's PARLIAMENT FOR UNITY".

11. Com. Dinesh Gupta and Com. Aditi Singla compered the programme. The other dignitaries who graced the occasion included all the Regional Managers, Asst. General Managers and Central Committee members.

With greetings,

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