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To All Members (Please Circulate)

We reproduce hereunder the Circular No. 04 dated 16.01.2018 issued by the 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.S.R.SENGUPTA, DOYEN OF OFFICERS' MOVEMENT NO MORE



On 14th January 2018, Com.S.R.Sengupta, the founder President of All India Bank Officers' Confederation and Doyen of the Bank Officers' Movement breathed his last after prolonged illness in the city of Kolkatta. He along with Com.R.N.Godbole, the founder General Secretary of the AIBOC built a strong and vibrant trade union of the Bank Officers' fraternity. They were responsible for spearheading the movement against all odds and in defending the public sector units throughout out their lives in the country. They worked together in tandem and in such a wonderful combination that it inspired thousands and thousands of employees and officers, not only in the Banking Industry but in the entire Public Sector units in the country apart from encouraging them to form trade union and champion the cause of the supervisory cadre under the banner PWTUC, yet another organization nurtured and supported by Com.Sengupta and Com.R.N.Godbole.

2. Com.Sengupta was responsible for building a strong Federation in Bank Of India and improving a lot of the officers in the Bank. He held the position of the General Secretary of the Federation in Bank of India for over 25 years and he was held in high esteem in the Management circles due to his valuable contribution to the Board of Bank of India as its Officer Director on the Board for a considerable time.
3. Com.Sengupta, popularly known as Shantida was held in high esteem by the trade union fraternity all over the country. His close contact with the Central Trade Unions helped us in understanding the issues connected with the working class and subsequently enabled us to form a greater co-ordination in the Banking Industry which spearheaded the joint movement of both the Officers and Employees in the banking industry. He was also Convener of the United Forum of Bank Unions while holding the post of the General Secretary in the Confederation. During his time the banking industry went through turbulent period and he managed the situation in an admirable manner.
4. He was highly respected amongst the executives of the Bank. His cool and calm nature helped in resolving several crisis in the negotiations between the IBA and the Confederation.
5. He was also responsible for building Pensioners' movement for the retirees in the Banking Industry by becoming the founder General Secretary of the AINPARK – a retiree wing of the All India Bank Officers' Confederation, at the fag end of his life. Thus he served the bank employees till the end of his life.
6. In his demise we have lost a valiant leader of the Bank Officers' movement and a great supporter of the Public Sector Units in the country. We pray almighty to grant him eternal peace in the heavenly adobe and also to give strength and courage to the members of his family as well as thousands and thousands of his members all over the country.

May his soul rest in peace.

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