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### To All Members (Please Circulate)

## **SBIOA (BENGAL CIRCLE), ADMINISTRATIVE ZONAL COMMITTEE, SILIGURI** **MINUTES OF THE 34<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** **HELD ON 17.12.2017 AT UTTARBANGA MARWARI BHAWAN, SEVOKE ROAD, SILIGURI**

The Opening Session of the 34<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting of SBIOA (Bengal Circle) of Administrative Zonal Committee, Siliguri initiated in between spontaneous slogans at 10.00 a.m.

At the outset, Zonal President Com Debanta Goswami, welcomed the guests Shri Satish Rao, Deputy General Manager (B&O), Siliguri, Com Kalyan Kumar Dey, Deputy General Secretary AISBOF, Senior Vice-President AIBOC (WBSU) and President SBIOA (Bengal Circle), Com Soumya Datta, Joint General Secretary AIBOC, Vice-President AISBOF, and General Secretary SBIOA (Bengal Circle), Com Shubhajyoti Chattopadhyay, E.C. Member AISBOF and Deputy General Secretary SBIOA (Bengal Circle), , Gautam Sengupta, AGS SBISA, Com Debranjana Dey, Central Committee Member, Com Sudhanshu Mukherjee, Secretary, SBIOA Multi-State Co-operative Credit Society Ltd.

### **OPEN SESSION**

The meeting started with lighting of the ceremonial lamp followed by a beautiful song sung by the team SRJIAN. Our female members then greeted the honorable guests with flower bouquets and "KHADA" (a traditional ceremonial scarf prevalent in the hills symbolizing purity and compassion) organized by Darjeeling Composite Unit.

Chief Regional Secretary, Com Utpal Datta welcomed the guests, the new members of our association and the comrades who joined the Zone on transfer and promotion.

He also bade farewell to Com Kalyan Kumar Dey, Circle President and Com Supriyo Chakraborty, Administrative Zonal Committee member who all will be retiring from Bank's service on 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2018.

Shri Satish Rao, Deputy General Manager (B&O), Siliguri, in his deliberation described the transformation and transition that have taken place in the Bank. He also discussed about the new scenario in the financial sector and that everyone should be geared up to face as well as to accept new challenges in the digital world of banking. He also shared his vast knowledge in Banking arena and discussed the three basic functions of Banking.

(I) Keep Money (ii) Move the Money (iii) Grow the Money

He impressed everyone through his knowledge on Wealth Management and advised everyone to get Certification in wealth management (A certificate of your knowledge) and talked about the opportunities to make money in real estate. He shared ideas on our products that match our present day needs and requirements as our Bank is also a financial super market for growing money and to retain our customers. He admitted that we have a wonderful product "YONO" that manages money at your fingertips, one application for all your banking, shopping and investments needs, he also emphasized on digital Banking products, E-Wallet etc. He concluded his speech by saying "Strong organization means strong employees not only for today but also for future."

Com Soumya Datta, General Secretary, in his address mentioned that he was very much impressed by the song sung by the SRIJIAN team and appreciated their efforts. His first few words made the crowd lively and attentive. He discussed about different aspects of financial planning and that the people need to find ways to achieve the future financial goals. He shared and applauded the efforts of SBIOA without which 100% medical benefit to family members would only be a dream. He shared some highlights of Demonetisation, the effects on common masses and ourselves during this period. He put forward a brief discussion on petition against "Financial Resolution and Deposit Insurance Bill" (FRDI bill) and acknowledged the contribution of Com Franco, General Secretary AIBOC, for his undying efforts against FRDI bill and spreading awareness in social media. He advised everyone to remain vigilant and fight this evil design tooth and nail and garner public support by educating the masses. He shared the values on STEPS and suggested that every staff should adopt minimum basic rules of banking to avoid unnecessary trouble in the future. He also made sure that every staff inculcates the habit of reading circulars, learning/sharing ideas on basics of banking with other colleagues. He deliberated briefly on YOUTHQUAKE, a new significant cultural, political or social changes arising

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from the actions or influence of young people. He also shared the experience of agri-meet on "Diversified Farming for Income Generation and Environmental Safety" held on 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2017 at Kalyani, which was very much appreciated by the Circle Management. He urged upon AZC Siliguri to hold one such workshop at Coochbehar to increase our agriculture advances. And also he emphasized on leverage of our resources for betterment of our institution. He discussed about staff shortage in Branches, which, as a result, affect our performances, shared information regarding submission of paper for 5 days Banking and touched upon Aadhaar linking aspects in the upcoming days, transfer policy difficulties, and introduction of new transfer policy by January 2018. He analyzed the CDS and discussed about the work done by the Circle and the Federation for refining it. He encouraged members to come up with new innovative ideas and join the e-research team of the Association.

In his speech Com Sudhanshu Mukherjee, Secretary, SBIOA Multi-state Co-operative Credit Society Ltd., talked about the functioning of the Multi state Co-operative Society, its felicitation programme for the meritorious students of our members who scored more than 60% marks in 10th standard examination onwards.

Com Gautam Sen Gupta, Assistant General Secretary, SBISA described about migration of banking technology from last 20 to 30 years. He held his views against bank privatization. He also shared his views on ruining customer- banker relationship by switching from traditional banking to anytime banking based on the instructions received from the bank management. According to him, this is hampering our relation with the esteemed customers.

## **PRESS MEET**

A brief session was organized for Press Meeting. Various news agencies like Ananda Bazar Patrika, Uttarer Jyoti News Siliguri, and local news channels covered the meeting. Com Soumya Datta, General Secretary, Com Kalyan Kumar Dey, Circle President addressed the media and briefed about the present position of Banking scenario, and the need for a working class movement to save public sector and save India. He also spoke about the proposed f "Financial Resolution and Deposit Insurance Bill (FRDI Bill) and the need to resist it.

## **BUSINESS SESSION**

Business session of the meeting was presided by the Zonal President, Com Debanta Goswami. At the outset, he read out the Notice of the Meeting, the Agenda items, and he spoke a few words on the theme "Save Public sector, save the nation". Thereafter, he took up the first agenda and requested Chief Regional Secretary, Com Utpal Dutta to place his Secretarial Report for 2017 followed by AZC Treasurer, Com Surajit Chakrabarty, to table the audited Statement of Accounts for the period in order to evocate discussion and adoption.

Com Ajay Kumar Saha from Amriti Branch, Malda, Com Ritu Choudhury, Branch Manager, Bengdubi Branch, supported the Annual Report 2017 along with the audited statement of A/cs placed by the AZC, Siliguri Module.

Com Abhishek Kumar, Darjeeling Branch, appreciated the AZC, Siliguri Annual Report 2017 and also shared his concern about CDS scoring, demanded review of transfer policy.

Com Mahesh Subba, Branch Manager, Pakhim Branch, Sikkim shared his difficulties in branch Cash flow as in terms of daily remittance, requested for BPR facilities in branches, and requested to review the transfer policy and also supported the AZC, Siliguri Annual Report 2017.


Com Sudip Roy, Branch Manager, Rajibpur Branch, shared his view on repatriation/transfer of Scale-III and above officers' serving in the module more than 3 and half years to their domicile module. He also discussed about FRDI bill, shared his experience on Bank's Maha login days, BPR issues, Project Vivek, requested for creation of SME centre like separate RMME, CSO post in Rajibpur Branch, also shared his knowledge on wealth management and quantum of money held for Basic components. He appreciated the AZC, Siliguri Annual Report 2017.

Comrade CRS in his reply addressed the issues raised by the members in the course of discussion and he told the house that the rest of the issues will be addressed by the Circle leadership.

The Report and the audited Statement of Accounts were unanimously accepted and passed by the House.

Com Kalyan Kumar Dey, Circle President, appreciated the AZC, Siliguri Secretarial Report and Statement of Accounts 2017 and shared his vast experience in banking arena and views on our charter of demands and the endeavor taken to make it complete.

Com Supriya Chakraborty, Member Administrative Zonal Committee delivered the vote of thanks to the chair and the meeting ended with the rendition of the National Anthem.

  
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