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To All Members (Please Circulate)

We reproduce hereunder the Circular No. 52 dated 02.07.2018 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.D.T.FRANCO RAJENDRA DEV, PRESIDENT OF AISBOF RETIRES ON SUPERANNUATION GIVEN AN AFFECTIONATE FAREWELL AT AISBOF GENERAL COUNCIL

The 27th General Council came to a successful conclusion under the leadership of Com.D.T.Franco Rajendra Dev, President of the Federation, General Secretary of the SBIOA, Chennai Circle and Com. Y.Sudarshan, the General Secretary of the Federation along with the large number of his colleague office-bearers as well as volunteers from the Circle Association. The members of the General Council also participated in an affectionate farewell given to Com.D.T.Franco Rajendra Dev, on his laying down the office of the President of the AISBOF after the successful completion of the triennial period from the last General Council held at Mumbai.

2. Com.D.T.Franco Rajendra Dev, in tune with the good tradition that the Federation is known for in the conduct of the trade union activities has laid down his office on the eve of the 25th June 2018 when the new leadership of the Federation was elected for the next triennial period. He was known for his contribution not only for the trade union field but also to the various other sectors of the society, in particular, serving the down trodden by actively participating in various activities across the country and contributing his mite for the upliftment of the common man in the country. He is a man of multiple activities and was moving like mercury all over the country. He served the cause of the Federation, Confederation, and above all, the central trade unions for officers across all sectors, which was his brain child, meant for the Public Sector Units, the Central and State Government organizations in the name of AIPCOC.

3. Born on 15.06.1955, he joined the service of State Bank of India on 05.08.1980. Being an ace Volleyball player, he has represented college Volleyball team. These indicated in sufficient measure that Com. Franco was a born leader and a fighter.

4. His initial days in State Bank of India at N.E Circle, working in the remotest corners of the country enabled him to see stark reality, and understand the nuances of pitiable human conditions and sufferings.

5. Immediately after becoming an officer in the year 1988, he was involved in the movement of officers in State Bank of India. He had exhibited the qualities of a budding leader in his college days, when he was elected as Secretary. He was elected as Zonal General Secretary, Deputy Regional Secretary. He was then elected as Deputy General Secretary, SBIOA (Chennai Circle) and continued in the post up to July 2012. Thereafter, he was elected as General Secretary SBIOA (Chennai Circle). He was unanimous choice for the General Secretary's post, which he is occupying till today. His charisma as a mass leader is evident as he is holding the fort of Chennai Circle, as an unchallenged leader and virtually continues as the uncrowned king of Chennai Circle Association.

6. He was elected as Vice President of the Federation in the year 2012 and continued in the post till 2015. Com. Franco was unanimously elected as President of the Federation in the 26th Triennial General Council at Mumbai on 15th January, 2015. He adorned the post with aplomb. His tenure as President witnessed a golden period for the officers in SBI as he strived hard along with General Secretary of the Federation and got a windfall of benefits, facilities and perks. Because of the indefatigable efforts and never-say-die approach to the issues of the officers, Com. Franco was able to convince the Management functionaries, who saw reasonableness in his arguments and presentations.

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7. He is articulate, and with his silver tongued speech, he mesmerized the audience, whether it is a gathering of officers or a meeting with the Management functionaries. He is a master negotiator and his deft handling of any situation, brought out positive results. As a consequence, our Chennai Circle was the harbinger of all kinds of benefits for the officers which were emulated by other Circle Associations.

8. He was a campaigner par excellence and caught the imagination of the Officers' fraternity in the Banking Industry and was elected as General Secretary, AIBOC during 2017 at Jaipur Conference. He was in the forefront of all the agitations in the entire country. The issues which he took up like FRDI Bill, Turn Around Plan, Prompt Corrective Action, NPA issues, Asset classification issues and Anti-merger issues, Appointment of Officer-Director on the Boards of Banks etc., have shown wonderful result. His presence in the Executive Committee Meetings of AISBOF as well as AIBOC were marked by his analytical skills and in-depth knowledge of the issues. He held sway over the EC Members by his forceful, logical and result oriented deliberations. He became an ideal personality among the Officers of not only State Bank Group but of other Banks too.

9. Comrades, it was an affectionate farewell to Com.Franco, who represented the spirit of militancy, solidarity service and above all as a human being serving the society at large. The General Council bid him a farewell and wished him a happy and contented retirement.

10. Com.Franco, is known for his multiple activities and we are sure that he will not retire from the active service of the society and we look forward to his valuable guidance and service for many more years to come. We take this opportunity to wish him a happy, healthy and prosperous retired life for him as well as all the members of his family on this occasion.

With warm greetings,



Y.SUDARSHAN
GENERAL SECRETARY