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To All Members (Please Circulate)

We reproduce hereunder the Circular No. 10 dated 18.02.2025 issued by the General Secretary, All India State Bank Officers' Federation, the contents of which are self-explicit.

With revolutionary greetings,

Shubhajyoti Chattopadhyay
(General Secretary)

STATE BANK OF INDIA OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION, JAIPUR CIRCLE REPORT ON 4TH TRIENNIAL GENERAL COUNCIL

The 4th General Body Meeting of SBIOA Jaipur Circle held on 25th January 2025 at the Birla Auditorium, Jaipur, culminated with a resounding success, registering a conglomeration of more than 2000 officers showcasing a demonstrative manifestation of solidarity and strength. The grand event commemorated in the "Pink City" was attended by officers congregating from all across the length and breadth of the State reflecting the true legacy of the trade union movement that the circle is conspicuous for.



2. The event kickstarted with a devotional Ganesh Vandana, an eye-soothing dance performance, Kalbeliya with the blend of Ghoomer, the famous Classical dance of the state of Rajasthan that notched international fame. Comrade Dharamveer Singh Bhatia a young activist of the Circle Association, who anchored the Opening Session, welcomed Comrade Ramavtar Singh Jakhar, President of the circle and Comrade Vinay Bhalla, the Chairman, All India State Bank Officers' Federation & General Secretary of the Circle Association, on the dais amidst sky rocketing slogans and huge applause from all around. Both the leaders welcomed the dignitaries on the dais with the traditional 'Safa', 'Uttorio', plant pot & memento juxtaposing warmth from core of their hearts.

3. The welcome ceremony followed by lighting of the lamp by the dignitaries on the dais and a brief felicitation of Returning Officers, former leaders, ex-office bearers of SBIOA Jaipur Circle & Office bearers of SBI Pensioners association.

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4. Com. Vinay Bhalla, Chairman AISBOF & General Secretary SBIOA Jaipur Circle, in his opening address, welcomed all the Guests and leaders and spoke on various issues such as work-life balance, 5 days' work week, wage revision and residual issues of 9th Joint Note. He claimed the assembly being more than formal but also demonstrative in terms of solidarity and unity of the fraternity that vouch achieving the collective goals. Touching upon circle-based issues, Comrade Bhalla claimed the uniqueness of Circle Transfer Policy which has been fetching benefits to the officers as well as the bank. Emphasizing on the bank being paramount, he stressed on maintenance of professionalism & commitment at workplace with ethics at its core. He briefly touched upon the major activities and achievements of the Circle Association and highlighted the various issues taken up during the Circle Negotiating Committee meetings. He informed that there are many issues concerning officers, which he felt being the part of the business session and requested the members to actively participate and be interactive.



5. Com. Ramavtar Singh Jakhar, the president of the meeting emphasised on unity as a measure to consolidate our strength and go for clinching the best. He stressed to be resolute defying vagary of circumstances and uphold and further the perpetuity of our collective struggle.

6. Shri. Sandeep Bhatnagar, the Chief General Manager of the Circle & Chief Guest of the event expressed his happiness on



being part of the conglomeration. He, while delving on the issues confronted by the bank, touched upon, market share, CASA deposits, Customer Service, Technology, upgradation of knowledge, infrastructure in branches, and work-life balance while asserting that the bank is in safe hands and with collective effort, we can achieve uncharted laurels for the bank. He exhorted before the gathering to fulfil customer expectations and ensure customers' trust to cruise ahead of the competition. He concluded with nurturing hope that happiness shall roam all around in employee's life while wishing an all-around success of the General Body meeting. His eloquent speech found mention highlighting the contribution of Comrade Vinay Bhalla

for his dedication and commitment to the officer's fraternity. He expressed deep admiration on the power of pen and drafting capability of comrade Bhalla and applauded his contribution towards improving the lives of his members. He wished Comrade Bhalla a happy, healthy second inning of his life.

7. The undersigned started with extending a heartfelt congratulations to SBIOA Jaipur Circle for successfully organizing the General Body Meeting and for coming victorious in an unopposed election showcasing the confidence that the circle association commands over its members.

8. The undersigned spoke on the solidarity of Team Jaipur and also highlighted on the successful conclusion of the recent wage negotiation process. He assured the members that AIBOC remains committed in addressing their aspirations while ensuring a positive and happy work environment. He elaborated on recent developments relating to deduction of TDS on perks and the crucial role played by the association in resolving such matters in an amicable way.



9. The undersigned emphasized that SBI, has always provided the best industry standards and cares for its employees reminiscent to a mother that takes care of her child and as our responsibility, we need to reciprocate the same in our pursuit to maintain professionalism and walk extra miles to avoid stain tarnishing the image of the bank especially in social media. He reiterated AIBOC's role in advocating for citizenry in general, public sector banks, and officers' rights. His speech covered key aspects of the 9th Joint Note, including DA formula and stagnation increments, apart from a call of preparedness for the ensuing struggle demanding implementation of five-day work week in Banking industry. He

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reiterated on the importance of upholding the dignity and respect of every officer, advocating for a culture of mutual respect and collaboration.

10. While flashing light on the Journey of Comrade Vinay Bhalla, the undersigned pitched high on his leadership quality terming him as a visionary leader and applauded the contributions he made in steering the Circle association after evolution of a new circle towards greater heights along with ensuring sustained progress amidst uncharted challenges. He concluded by highlighting that Com Bhalla has all along been a sincere leader with inherent attribute of amiable charms while wishing him a happy, healthy and contented retired life ahead.

11. Comrade Arun Bishoyi, President of AISBOF conveyed sincere appreciation to the disciplined gathering and for their unconditional trust in the leadership of SBIOA, AISBOF, and AIBOC. He highlighted significant milestones achieved through the recent Joint Note, which encompassed crucial benefits like stagnation increments and improved work conditions. He emphasized that AISBOF and AIBOC will continue to lead the nation's transformation towards greater financial inclusion and digitization while firmly upholding the principles of fairness, equity, and professionalism, ensuring inclusive socio-economic growth.



12. Guest of Honour, Shri Madan L S, General Manager Network-II Jaipur addressed the gathering and shared his experience as DGM & Circle Development Officer at Guwahati Circle. He spoke on the need of cementing customer connect, to relate and to build a strong network with customers as customer satisfaction has been the long-standing motto of our bank. He urged upon the assembly to strive, retain and improve the reputation of our Bank. He concluded by wishing Comrade Vinay Bhalla on his retirement on 31st January 2025 and his altruistic contribution which will be cherished in the history of SBIOA as well in the Bank.

13. Guest of Honour, Shri Pradeep Kumar Sharma, General Manager, Circle Audit Office, Jaipur started with an excerpt from a poem of Shri Ravidas, highlighting the importance of unity. He stressed on the need to be united, as the core strength of the association comes from its members only. He congratulated Comrade Bhalla on his retirement on 31st January 2025 and considered it to be a matter of blessings to have a gem like Comrade Bhalla amidst.

14. Com. D P Verma, Sr. Vice President, SBIOA Jaipur Circle delivered the Vote of Thanks, expressing gratitude to the Circle Management, Presidents, and General Secretaries of other Circle Associations, guests, and all members for making the event a grand success.

15. The day-long extravaganza culminated with a resolution for greater unity, promising greater heights with a greater proclamation of camaraderie and solidarity forever.

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With Greetings,

Yours Comradely,

Sd/-

(Rupam Roy)

General Secretary