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To All Members (Please Circulate)

We reproduce hereunder the Circular No. 46/2025 dated 14.10.2025 issued by the Secretary, AIBOC (West Bengal State Unit), the contents of which are self-explicit.

With revolutionary greetings,

Shubhajyoti Chattopadhyay
(General Secretary)

Letter No. AIBOC/WBSU/18/2025

Date : 14.10.2025

Smt. Mamata Banerjee,
Honourable Chief Minister,
Government of West Bengal,
Nabanna, Howrah - 711102.

Respected Madam,

**SUB: APPEAL FOR INCLUSION OF "DIWALI"
IN THE HOLIDAY LIST OF THE STATE UNDER N.I. ACT**

At the outset we, on behalf of the AIBOC (West Bengal State Unit), convey our hearty festive greetings to you and your entire team.

02. Madam, it is well known that the auspicious festival "Diwali" is celebrated not only in our country but also all over the world. It is worth mentioning that a large section of people in our state celebrates "Diwali" as their prime religious festival of the year. But the employees of the financial sectors are not able to celebrate this grand festival in a befitting manner as they have to attend office on that day.

03. The entire banking fraternity are now enjoying holidays on 1st January, Janmashtami, Bhatri Dwitiya and Chhat Puja in a befitting manner only because of your magnanimity. We convey our sincere gratitude to you for positively responding to our requests and declaring holiday under N.I. Act on the afore-mentioned occasions. We are expectantly confident that your Gracious Authority will positively respond to our request this time as well.

04. We, therefore, request you to kindly consider our appeal empathetically and issue necessary advisory to declare **Diwali** falling on 21st October, 2025 as a holiday under Section 25 of the N.I. Act, 1881 so as to enable all the citizenry of our State including Bank employees to celebrate the festival with profound happiness and enthusiasm. This will immensely boost the morale of the bankers in rendering banking services with zeal and zest. At the same time, we once again reaffirm our fullest co-operation in taking the State forward under your guidance and leadership. Thanking you in anticipation,

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

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