

# **ALL INDIA BANK OFFICERS' CONFEDERATION**

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TO ALL AFFILIATES/STATE UNITS/MEMBERS

Dear Comrades,

## **26<sup>th</sup> General Body/14<sup>th</sup> Triennial Conference of ABOA-unit SBBJ**

### **A GRAND GALA EVENT**

The Deep Smriti Auditorium of Tagore International School, Mansarovar at Jaipur was jam packed by 10.30 a.m. of 4<sup>th</sup> Oct., 2015 with more than 2000 enthusiastic members of ABOA unit SBBJ thronging in to be a part of their historic 26<sup>th</sup> General Body Meeting (14<sup>th</sup> Triennial Conference). Entire Management team of SBBJ was also present occupying first two rows. Guests were being brought to the in the traditional way with enthusiastic volunteers dancing Bhangra with beating of drums and amidst ranting of slogans.

Chief Guest of the meeting was Mr Jyoti Ghosh, Managing Director, SBBJ and Guests of honours Com. Harvinder Singh, General Secretary, AIBOC. Com. Harshavardhan, General Secretary, ABOA, Sh. S Venkataraman, CGM (Retail Banking) & Sh. V Srinivasan, CGM (Commercial Banking), alongwith Com. Mahesh Mishra, General Secretary, AISBBJECC, Special invitee were adorning the dais. After the floral welcome of the guests, the inaugural session commenced with lighting of lamp by Chief Guest Sh. Jyoti Ghosh and other guests on the dais. Programme was started with the offering of prayer to Lord Ganesha.

Com. S D Bali, General Secretary of the unit welcomed the guests and the gathering in a traditional way. He thanked all the members for unflinching confidence and full co-operation by way of electing 90% posts unopposed and for remaining posts, for which elections were held, by casting more than 96% votes in favour of his team. In his address he raised several issues of

member's interest such as Regulated working hours, Five Day Week, Pension Revision, and Tax Exemption on leave encashment at the time of retirement / superannuation as available to Central Government Employees etc. He also advised the members regarding importance of VVR checking, Password Security, Pre & Post Inspection. He also appealed to the members that this is the demand of time that we all should give thrust on recovery of NPA and also try that no new account goes bad on account of technical NPA. He appealed to the management that after a great struggle 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday off has been clinched as such no staff to be called to work on these holidays.

Sh Rajesh Bhargava, in his presidential address informed the house about achievements of the association during the 2012-15 tenure such as timely promotions to various scales, proper transfer and placement of officers, cordial relations with the Management, positive approach of the Management, Salary revision with 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday off, improvement in hospitalization scheme, several other facilities, perks and implementation of new IT initiatives and alternate delivery channels. He also reiterated the demand of Regulated working hours, Five Day Week, Pension Revision.

Then meritorious students from various streams who were selected as a part of social welfare activity by the SBBJ unit of ABOA were then felicitated. Certificate of Merit, memento and a cheque of prize was presented to all the selected students/their parents by the guests on the dais.

Mr S Venkataraman, CGM, Retail Banking congratulated the entire team of ABOA Unit SBBJ for holding Peaceful, Fair & Smooth elections. He applauded the role of Association in maintaining excellent industrial relations in the Bank. He called upon the officers to achieve the dreams of MD about the Bank. He conveyed his best wishes for the success of the conference.

Mr V Srinivasan, CGM, Commercial Banking also joined Mr. Venkataraman in congratulating Com. S.D.Bali & his team for securing more than 96% votes and specially Com. Bali for securing around 98% votes. He informed the house that he was also Central Council Member in ABOA Unit SBT for two terms and his empathy is always with Organization as organization plays a key role in growth of bank. He said that atmosphere in SBBJ is conducive and congenial

and welfare of the officers is in safe hands of able leadership. He informed that business of the bank has crossed Rs 159000 crore as on 30.09.15.

Comrade Harshavardhan, General Secretary, ABOA said that this is the time to rejoice and celebrate, congratulated Com. Bali & his team for decisive victory. He appreciated the role played by Com. Bali as a wonderful spark of intelligence. He articulates the issue in such a way that management or any other cannot say no to his argument. He said although he is General Secretary but many a times he authorized com. Bali for negotiations. Banking industry is proud to have a leader like Bali ji. He narrated the circumstances under which of Xth Bipartite settlement was negotiated and described the settlement as the best possible settlement. He also informed that the 2nd & 4th Saturday Off was clinched only because of the efforts of leadership of AIBOC. As per him BASEL-III is nothing but a push towards privatization of banks and threat on job security in Bank is not far away. We have to struggle as there is no other alternate for the same in trade union.

Mr Mahesh Mishra, General Secretary, All India SBBJ Employees Coordination Committee also congratulated the entire team of Com. Bali & Com. Bhargava. He praised the cordial relation between award and officer association. He shared the challenge on banks for recovery of Rs 600000 crore of NPA/ AUC for which he suggested that new laws are to be formed. He also requested the management to recruit more Clerical / Sub Staff so that the shortfall can be met.

Sh. Jyoti Ghosh, MD, SBBJ thanked the officers of the Bank for their support in increasing the business of the Bank. He advised that the ABOA is apolitical organization and working for the welfare of officers as well as the development of bank by educating the work force. He expressed that the institution and association are dependent on each other and together they can achieve any height. He said that association or union should not go for legitimate demands as it should come automatically for officers/ employees because the same is their right. He was categorically of the view that public sector banks are no where less than the private sector banks. The performance of PSBs has been praised by the Prime Minister of India specially in implementing PMJDY, APY

etc. He shared his concern that the PSBs have to face a stiff competition from the introduction of new Payment Banks. However, he was of the firm view that our staff is capable enough to face the challenges.

He exhorted that we are the soldiers and soldiers never give up. He called the officers to do the business with full confidence and knowledge and without adopting shortcuts. We should recognize that "Who is Bank", the Bank is nothing but the employees and officers. He also put on record a big thanks to ABOA & its members for support given to him and the bank.

Com. Harvinder Singh, General Secretary, AIBOC in his key note address congratulated Com. S.D. Bali & his team for creating history in the Banking Industry by securing 96% votes. He recalled with gratitude the contribution made by Com. Bali in all times of crisis AIBOC. He also praised him for giving matured advice, guidance, cooperation & support during the process of 10<sup>th</sup> Bipartite Settlement. He described his fond memories about his working with Com. Bali in Delhi State AIBOC and the role played by him the Rajasthan State as its President and State Secretary. Com. Bali is not only an asset of SBBJ but for the entire Banking Industry. He always gave free & fair opinion on the vital issues of trade union affairs. He played a key role in keeping AIBOC & AISBOF united

He then gave a detailed account of nitty gritty of 10th Bipartite Settlement and how the same was achieved. He specially thanked chairpersons of BOI & SBI for positive role played by them in concluding the settlement. He shared that demand of retirees have not been given up and organizations will keep them alive. He also assured that matter of tax on leave encashment will be taken up at appropriate level. He informed the house that some issues of charter of demands particularly on Disciplinary Matters and issues of Retirees will be further pursued. He also informed that to protect public sector a separate forum of public sector workers has been formed. He thanked ABOA Unit SBBJ for inviting him in such a successful & grand triennial conference.

The inaugural session of the conference ended with the vote of thanks proposed by Com. V K Bhalla, Vice President of the unit.

Business session was started after the lunch break in which General presented his report and after the deliberations the same was approved unanimously.

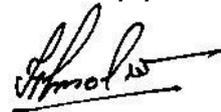
Sh. P. S. Yadav, the returning officer, then declared the results and introduced the newly elected team of office bearers and central council members. New team of office bearers was installed in the office after greetings by the General Body. The principal office bearers elected are as under:

President:	Sh Rajesh Bhargava
Vice-president:	Sh Ramavtaar Singh Jakhar
General Secretar	Sh S D Bali
Dy. General Secretary:	Sh V K Bhalla
Treasurer:	Sh Ravi Prakash Gupta

Newly elected General Secretary Com. S D Bali then conveyed his thanks to the election officer Sh. Yadav and his team for smooth conduct of election and to the entire membership for extending their full faith and confidence. Com. Bali assured the house that he and his team members would try their best to come out true to the expectations of the members. Sh. Rajesh Bhargava, newly elected President proposed the vote of thanks and declared the adjournment of the meeting.

With Revolutionary Greetings,

Comradely yours



(HARVINDER SINGH)  
**GENERAL SECRETARY**