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TO ALL AFFILIATES/MEMBERS OF THE STATE UNITS

Dear Comrades,

FOUNDATION CONFERENCE OF CHHATTISGARH STATE UNIT **THE YOUNGEST UNIT - EXUDING YOUTHFULNESS**

The Foundation Conference of the Chhattisgarh State Unit of AIBOC was held on 06.11.2016 at "Shaheed Smarak Bhawan", Raipur in a befitting manner. The occasion was graced by Confederation Leaders namely Com. Y Sudarshan, President, Com G V Manimaran, and Com Debashish Ghosh, Senior Vice Presidents. Undersigned also had the pleasure of witnessing the organization getting another stronger link. Com. Sanjeev Mishra and Com Raj Kumar Jodhani, the leaders of the parent undivided M.P. & Chattisgarh State Unit were the special guest to the foundation conference.

A colorful one and half kilometer long procession started from Hotel Mahendra to the Conference venue "Shaheed Smarak Bhawan" at 11:00 AM, wherein about 500 officers participated ranting slogans highlighting the issues being pursued by the Confederation. The procession was led by All India Leadership and went through the main market of the Raipur. The path was beautifully decorated with the banners and posters bearing slogans and pictures of the top leaders. The procession was received at the gate of the venue by another set of 500 officers led by the State leadership, amidst thunderous slogans, into the aesthetically decorated hall.

After the dais formation, 2 minutes silence was observed as mark of respect to Martyrs who sacrificed their lives for the nation. Then the leadership on the dais was requested to formally inaugurate the function by lighting the Lamp. Formal welcome was extended to the guest by presenting floral bouquets and Shawls.

Com. S.K. Khajanchi, President of the State committee, welcomed the guests and members from various Affiliates and fraternal organizations. In his welcome address Com. Khajanchi apprised with the geographical conditions and brief history of Chhattisgarh and also the role of the PSBs in the development of the State.

There after, Com Y. Sudarshan, President AIBOC in his Inaugural address apprised the history of AIBOC and its struggle through long journey of 31 years. He gave a detailed account of the saga of struggle of the founding fathers of the Confederation in uniting the officers and establishing the largest trade union organization of Officers in the world. He also dealt at length the efforts being made by the Confederation to draft a charter of demands so as to clinch a better deal in the XIth Bipartite settlement falling due in November 2017.

Comrade G V Manimaran, Sr. Vice President of the Confederation spoke at length about the evil designs of the Govt. in painting PSU Banks in poor light due to provisional losses / lower profits since last fiscal. He also raised the issue of PSU Banks being forced to pay income tax when the Banks are not able to show profits due to stringent and progressive provisional requirements.

Comrade Debasis Ghosh, another Sr. Vice President present emphasized the importance of following the Banks' laid down system and procedure and to avoid short cut in working to

protect the interest of the Bank as also to protect oneself from any disciplinary action in the event of any delinquency.

Com Sanjeev Mishra and Com R.K. Jodhani spoke about history and working of parent unit i.e. MP state and strengthening of newly formed state committee for effective functioning of AIBOC. Both conveyed their good wishes and offered full support to the leadership of the newly formed committee.

Com. Vijay Yechuri, Secretary, Chhattisgarh State committee in his power packed address emphasized the need to evolve a policy for officers working in Bastar region, as all banks are in an opening spree of new branches and needs to formulate certain measures to make the quality of life better for them. In this regard, it was pointed out that there should be a definite time frame for transfer of officers back to their choice centre / region etc. after serving in Bastar region. He urged the leadership to pursue enhancement in Insurance coverage in Naxal affected areas to a minimum of Rs. 50 lacs. In order to incentivize officers to serve in Bastar region, disturbed area allowance be introduced and a demand be made in the ensuing wage negotiation charter of demands, he said.

After all the speakers gave the informative and thought provoking addresses, it was the turn of your General Secretary who described the Economic scenario of the country both at macro and micro level and challenges thrown before us. He emphasized on the formation of district unit and vibrant functioning of the organisation at every level. He wished the new State committee to become a model unit in terms of unity, solidarity and strength amongst all. He was highly impressed by the presence of young comrades including large number of lady members. His deliverance of more than 100 minutes covered all ongoing important developments in the banking industry. The audience gave a standing ovation with thunderous applause. The pin drop silence maintained by more than 1200 members sitting at a stretch for five hours upto 4 p.m. speaks volumes about the commitment of the cadre.

After Vote of thanks proposed by Com. Pradeep Moses Singh, the meeting was succeeded by a press conference which had more than 40 reporters from electronic and print media. The interviews were published in prominent daily papers like Dainik Bhaskar, The Hitvada, Nav Bharat, The Pioneer, Nai Duniya, Sun Star besides being telecasted by local TV channels.

Delegate session followed the lunch break and Com. Naresh Meshram, Returning officer declared the result of election. It is pertinent to mention here that all the office bearers were unanimously elected with total consensus. Among others Com. Shailendra Kumar Khajanchi (PNB) elected as President, Com. Vijay Yechuri (SBI) as Secretary and Com. K K Shivkumar (PNB) as treasurer. There after the house was opened for deliberation. The under signed answered all the queries from members for more than 45 minutes. The State committee felt honoured by the participation of central leaders of AIBOC who enlightened the young members, who had so eagerly waited for this momentous occasion.

The success of the conference was reflected in the number of members from all the affiliates which were around 1200 and out of which 70% were youngsters including lady comrades. The programme ended with National Anthem. Members kept discussing about grandeur of the function which had the mood of festivity. The Unique event will remain live in the minds of all those present and would be remembered for years to come.

Long live our Unity!

With comradely greetings,

Yours comradely,



(HARVINDER SINGH)
GENERAL SECRETARY