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All Affiliates/State units/Members,

Dear Comrade,

**ONE DAY ALL INDIA BANK STRIKE ON 28.02.2017 –
A GRAND SUCCESS**

We reproduce, hereunder, the contents of the United Forum of Bank Unions Circular No. UFBU/2017/05 dated 28.02.2017 on the captioned subject, issued by Com. Sanjeev K. Bandlish, Convenor, UFBU for your information & circulation.

QUOTE:

“Congratulations Comrades – The frustration of the bank employees and officers, on account of various issues pending for settlement and the ill-fated moves of the Government in the name of banking/labour reforms against the interests of general public/ entire work force of the Country, was revolutionarily displayed through the One Day All India Bank Strike today, i.e., 28th February 2017. The one day Strike, at the call of UFBU, was total with all the Public Sector Banks, Old generation Private Sector Banks and Regional Rural Banks observing full day’s strike, which paralysed the banking services throughout the Country.

Reports pouring in from different parts of the Country confirm that employees in large numbers have participated in the mammoth rallies and demonstrations held in all the major centres all over the country. We are also receiving reports from various State Units that participation and thought provoking speeches of leaders of trade union fraternity, in support of our cause, and eminent personalities, who are opposed to the anti-people moves of the Government, provided the needed encouragement to the striking employees and officers.

We once again reiterate that the intention of the UFBU is not to cause inconvenience to the customers or aimed at disturbing the routine of the general public. As informed by us earlier, the conciliation held on the 21st February 2017 was inconclusive, with the directions of the CLC (Central) to the representatives of UFBU and the IBA/Government to settle the issues amicably through bilateral discussions. Even though, we were ready for bilateral discussions on any day including holidays before the date of strike, the IBA could not conduct the bilateral meeting. Thus, we are compelled to resort to the strike action, which could have been avoided.

We sincerely acknowledge the zeal and enthusiasm of the entire membership in making the strike call a grand success, thereby sending a clear message to the IBA/Government combine that serious efforts on their part, at the earliest, are very much essential for amicable settlement of the issues and problems confronting the bank employees and officers.

We whole-heartedly thank the UFRRBU and its entire membership not only for expressing their solidarity and support to our cause but also observing the one day strike in their respective Banks.

The UFBU will meet shortly to chalk out future course of action and further programmes. Comrades – our struggle is not just on the major long pending issues concerning the employees and officers in the banking industry but also, as true citizens of the country, against the calculated assault by the successive Governments on the public sector character prevalent in the country as well as the discouraging moves of the Government against the interests of labour/ working class of the country.

Comrades - The struggle has not ended with a day's strike. We may have to intensify our agitation if our just demands are not achieved. We request all our comrades to continue to display the solidarity and strength and be ready to implement further action programmes as decided by UFBU in the days to come.

Let us march ahead with the willpower to achieve our targets."

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With comradely greetings,

Comradely Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Harvinder Singh', with a horizontal line extending to the right from the end of the signature.

(HARVINDER SINGH)
GENERAL SECRETARY