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To All Affiliates/State Units/Members

Dear Comrades,

ISSUE OF SECOND AND FOURTH SATURDAYS OFF

A lot of gueries are being received by us on implementation of second and fourth Saturdays off in Banking Industry. We understand the anxiety as the issue which is very important, the most cherished and agreed demand of AIBOC, is being delayed in its implementation.

A few individuals from other organisations who were never serious about the demand or were even creating hurdles in its achievement, are now shedding crocodiles tears. These paper tigers are provoking common members by giving false information.

Let us advise you that in-principle approval of Govt. and RBI is already in place on the settlement signed with IBA and more specifically on second and fourth Saturdays off. We are in continuous touch with DFS & IBA officials and have been following the issue. The delay is on account of some clarifications being sought by authorities which are replied by officials down the line and IBA. As a responsible Organisation we are vigorously following up and pursuing the issue. However, we cannot make any irresponsible statement of starting any agitation etc. at the present stage. One upmanship is not our objective. We are committed to our members and are endeavouring that fruits of our undeterred efforts for achieving this objective is reaped by them positively.

We are sure that IBA, Govt. & RBI can not deviate from implementation of 2nd & 4th Saturday off. We intend to wait for another week or so and shall review the position before taking any stand on the issue including start of agitation with due information to other constituents of UFBU.

GENERAL STRIKE ON 2ND SEPTEMBER, 2015 BY CENTRAL TRADE UNION

Our members are aware that the Central trade unions have given a collective call of nationwide strike on 2nd September, 2015. We have also been approached for participating in the strike. We being an apolitical Organisation, have conveyed, in our reply, that our decision for the participation would depend upon inclusion of our issues related to supervisory cadre like ratification of ILO conventions 87 & 98, etc. which have not found any place so far, despite our raising the same from various platforms. Our decision to participate in the strike would depend upon the response of the Central trade unions on the issue. We have simultaneously requested Convenor, UFBU, to convene a meeting to discuss on this issue as well as on the issues pertaining to delay in implementation of second and fourth Saturdays off, other pending issues of officers like advisories to be issued by RBI on not calling officers on Sundays/ Holidays and/or to pay appropriate compensation for the same, Disciplinary matters, Appointments of MDs/CEOs & Non-Executive Chairmen in the Nationalised Banks in violation of the provisions contained in section 9 of Banking Companies (Acquisition & Transfer of Undertakings) Act 1970/1980 and the schemes made there under.

We shall keep our membership informed about the developments and also about issue of our participation in the strike call.

With greetings,

Comradely yours,

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