## **ALL INDIA BANK OFFICERS' CONFEDERATION**



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## **To All Affiliates/State Units/Members**

Dear Comrades,

## TAMIL NADU STATE CONFERENCE – A WONDERFUL SHOW

The state conference of Tamil Nadu State Committee of our Confederation, held on 26<sup>th</sup> July,2015, was not only a wonderful show of splendor and solidarity but exemplary also as it simultaneously served the social objectives, which is always one of the foremost endeavour of our Confederation.

The flag of AIBOC was hoisted by Dr. T.T. Ram Mohan, one of the Chief Guests, in the presence of leading luminaries of AIBOC viz. Com. Y. Sudarshan - President, Com. K. Ananda Kumar and Com. G.V. Manimaran - Senior Vice Presidents. The programme started with the wonderful cultural programme showcased by visually challenged students, rendering heart touching Karnatic music keeping the audience spell bound. The conference was distinct due to presentation of stupendous dance by a group of differently abled children with hearing and speech impairment but keeping their steps synchronized with the tunes of the songs played, on the direction of their Choreographer teacher who was guiding their movements sitting down. This was indeed a mesmerizing show. The cultural programmes was sponsored by the Tamil Nadu State Apex Co-operative Banks Officers' Association.

Apart from the Chief Guests Mr. N. Ram and Sh. T.T. Ram Mohan, the AIBOC leaders who occupied the dais included Com. Y. Sudarshan, Com. K. Ananda Kumar, Com. G.V. Manimaran, Com. (Dr.) J.D. Sharma and various State Committee leaders. The Conference started with welcome address by Com. (Dr.) V. Chidambara Kumar followed by brief Presidential address of Com. Thomas Franco cautioning about that IBA's agenda of Bank level settlement and cost to company approach for Salary Revision and criticizing the unwarranted remarks of Chief Economic Advisor that Bank Nationalisation in 1969 was a mistake. He stressed the need of bringing all Trade Unions in one platform to oppose privatization move of Government, while appreciating role of AIBOC in reunifying officers unions in Financial Sector. Chief Guest Professor (Dr.) T.T. Ram Mohan in his address highlighted the importance of Public Sector Banks and stressed the need for lateral induction of specialist officers to cater to present day business challenges while Mr. N. Ram dwelt upon present day situation due to policies of new Government and expressing his concern on compromise of secular credentials and its threats. The President Com. Y. Sudarshan in his special address recapped the history of Trade Union Movement in Chennai, performance of Banks and certain aspects of Salary Settlement and also on the

future lying ahead, he assured the members that implementation of 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays off cannot be denied though there is a delay due to bureaucratic procedures.

Com. (Dr.) J.D. Sharma was honoured in the conference on being awarded Doctorate by University of Madras for his study on "Post Globalisation Motivational Dimensions among officers and Indian Public Sector Banks", a subject very relevant to our Trade Union perspective. The leaders of yester years of AIBOC Tamil Nadu State Unit were honoured for the role played and contribution for strengthening the Officers Trade Union Movement by the leaders of various Affiliates who vowed to carry their mantle forward. The State Unit honoured the comrades from Dhanlaxmi Bank for their grit and solidarity for the valiant struggle of 33 days continuous strike with standing ovation and a thunderous applause, akin to drum beats in army. During the conference, new website of the State Unit "aiboctn.org" was also launched by Senior Vice President Com. K. Ananda Kumar.

In the business session, after the State Secretary Com. Vijaysenan P. presented his report before the house which highlighted the issue of external relativity vis a vis internal relativity and need to arrive at consensus, activating district unions etc., various issues which were deliberated upon included activating district units, participation of youngsters, collection of small levies directly from members for state units. After the responses by the State Secretary and substantiated by Com. G.V. Manimaran on regulated working hours as well as by Com. Thomas Franco on difficulties in the matters of suomoto reactions on adverse happening on Affiliates, the report was adopted unanimously.

The Treasurer Com. Bavanisankar presented the accounts which were adopted by the House and thereafter, in the election process, President, State Secretary and Treasurer were re-elected and other Office Bearers were also elected unanimously.

The curtains were drawn to the meeting after the vote of thanks proposed by the Treasurer, Com. Bavanisankar.

The conference though conducted after a gap of 11 years, left an indelible imprint on the minds of the members due to its grandeur and contents of the speeches of the eminent personalities apart from breath taking cultural program and also for taking care of social objectives of our Confederation, which included facilitating SHGs in marketing their products at the venue, free distribution of NOCHI plants, which has medicinal value, with the help of Chennai Corporation and organizing medical camp with the help of Apollo hospital as well as providing a platform for encouraging and appreciating the talent of differently abled children. We convey our heartiest congratulations to the team of Tamilnadu State Committee for the wonderful show!

With warm greetings,

Comradely yours,

(HARVINDER SINGH)
GENERAL SECRETARY