

ALL INDIA BANK OFFICERS' CONFEDERATION

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To All Affiliates/State Units/ Members

Dear Comrades,

AIABOA REJUVENATES YOUTH OF ALLAHABAD BANK

OBSERVANCE OF YOUTH CONVENTION AT KOLKATA ON 22ND APRIL'17

The future lies with the youth and the youth are the driving force to bring in social changes confronted at present. With this cherished idea in mind and with a pious motive to utilise the youth spirit and galvanize their energy towards organisational action plan and thus to equip them to take up the responsibility of social reform, the All India Allahabad Bank Officers' Association organized one Youth Convention at the Auditorium in the Heritage Building of Bengal Chamber of Commerce, Dalhousie, Kolkata on 22nd April'17, Saturday. It was felt necessary to awake and make the new generation aware about the onslaught being unlashed on the Public Sector Banks in the name of Turn-Around plan by the present dispensation and how the Govt. policies posing out to be detrimental to the interest of the lakhs of Bank employees. The participants comprised of Young Comrades from the States of West Bengal, Bihar, Jharkhand, Orissa & NE States, marked a grand success of the initiative conceptualized and organized by a Team of dedicated Young Comrades.

The convention was graced by the presence of Com. G D Nadaf, former General Secretary of AIBOC. The iconic figure Com. Pooja Agarwal, who recently won Silver in the Para World-Cup held in the month of March'17 at Kuwait in the Pistol Shooting event Com. P Anand Rao, President, Com. Bishwaranjan Ray Vice-President & Com. Debmalya Mitra, General Secretary of AIABOA apart from host of leaders of Central & State Units.

Com. D T Franco, General Secretary AIBOC, in his inaugural address, vehemently criticised the govt. for its lackadaisical attitude towards the cause of the employees of the Public Sector Banks and its covert attempt towards privatization. The proposed turn around plan and MOU proposed by the Govt. faced a strong criticism from him while branding it as an attempt to shy out from the responsibility by the govt. to recapitalize its own banks. He placed before the audience developments leading to the 11th Bi-partite negotiation, amendment to PG Act etc.

Com. G D Nadaf, the former General Secretary, AIBOC, in his deliberation goaded the young officers of today to wholeheartedly participate in organizational activities. Com. Nadaf also profusely applauded the AIABOA Leadership for organizing frequent organisational programme like Leadership Development, Defence Assistants' Training etc. to keep the membership appraised and prepared for the battle ahead.

The Convention took an emotional turn with the brief speech of Com. Pooja Agarwal. Com. Pooja shared her story of struggle & determination with the young participants. She profusely thanked her colleagues, Bank Management & specially AIABOA for standing beside her at every point of her requirement. The entire audience gave a standing ovation to Com. Pooja in recognition of her spirited fight-back despite all the setbacks she has faced. The AIABOA felicitated Com. Pooja with a brand-new Wheel-chair fitted with all amenities to suit her special requirements, imported from UK for her exclusive use.

Com. Debmalya Mitra, General Secretary thanked the dignitaries and the participants for making the Convention a historic one. He shared that this is a first Convention exclusively organized for the benefit of the Young Leaders of tomorrow and assured to organize such type of Conventions in different other parts of the country to prepare a roadmap for the Youth Power to take over the Leadership of AIABOA in the days to come.

The Second half witnessed spirited deliberations from the young participants who provided excellent suggestions to further strengthen the Organization and voiced their readiness to carry forward the slogans of Officers' Movement.

Com. P Anand Rao, President, in his brief speech expressed happiness to witness such a memorable convention and offered suggestions to the youth force to further rejuvenate the Association in its relentless struggle spanning over 31 years to thwart any anti-officers' steps by the GOI/Bank Management.

The Convention marked an end with a vote of thanks proposed by Com. Bishwaranjan Ray, Vice-President and State Secretary of West Bengal State Unit.

Always at your Service

Comradely yours

(D.T. Franco)

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General Secretary