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## WRIT PETITIONS ON MERGER/AMALGAMATION FILED WITH THE HON'BLE DELHI HIGH COURT UPDATE

The matter was scheduled to be heard today at Hon'ble Delhi High court. However, we have been hamstrung by an order of stay of proceedings on the Writ Petitions filed by **All India Bank Officers' Confederation (AIBOC) / All India Vijaya Bank Officers' Association (AIVBOA)** with the **Hon'ble Delhi High Court**, obtained by Bank of Baroda from Hon'ble Supreme Court on 8<sup>th</sup> February, 2019, without even informing us / making us parties to the Transfer Petitions, despite the fact that both AIVBOA and AIBOC had lodged Caveats at the Supreme Court against any transfer of proceedings on the Writs well in advance (on 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2019).

This situation has been precipitated because Rajasthan State Committee of AIBOA along with Dena Bank Officers' Union, Rajasthan, an Affiliate of AIBOA had inexplicably filed an almost identical WP with the Hon'ble High Court of Judicature for Rajasthan at Jaipur Bench, Jaipur, despite that the WP of AIBOC was pending at Delhi High Court at that point of time and that too, after more than three months from the date of filing of our Writ.

The attempt to transfer the case to Hon'ble Supreme Court thereby depriving AIBOC / AIVBOA of one level of appeal was anticipated and in all honesty, the AIBOC leadership had requested AIBOA leadership to withdraw the case. However, the same was not given cognizance.

Now, with the order of stay cited by Union Government as well as Bank of Baroda today in the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi, if the case is heard directly at Supreme Court level, the Confederation / Association would lose a chance of being heard at High Court level.

Members are well aware that the leadership is very serious about the case and the Senior Advocate of highest repute, Shri Arvind Datar is standing on behalf of AIBOC / AIVBOA.

However, both AIBOC and AIVBOA repose fullest faith in the Hon'ble Supreme Court and we have resilient confidence that the justice would prevail.

With greetings,

Comradely yours,

(Soumya Datta)  
General Secretary