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To All Affiliates/ State Units (Please Circulate)

Dear Comrade,

AIBOC WRITES TO THE HON'BLE CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT OF INDIA FOR POSTPONING THE NATIONAL LOK ADALAT SCHEDULED ON 08.02.2020

We reproduce below text of the joint communication dated 06.02.2020 by four officers' organisations to the Hon'ble Chief Justice of Supreme Court of India, copy of which has also been sent to Hon'ble Chief Justices of all High Courts for postponing the National Lok Adalat scheduled on 08.02.2020. We enjoin upon all affiliates/ state units to submit a copy of the said letter to the Hon'ble Chief Justices of respective High Courts/ District Judges.

With greetings,

(Soumya Datta)
General Secretary

Text of Joint Communication dated 06.02.2020

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ALL INDIA BANK OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION (AIBOA)
INDIAN NATIONAL BANK OFFICERS' CONGRESS (INBOC)
NATIONAL ORGANISATION OF BANK OFFICERS (NOBO)

Date: 06.02.2020

Justice Sharad Arvind Bobde
Hon'ble Chief Justice of India
The Supreme Court of India
New Delhi

Your Lordship,

Holding of National Lok Adalat on 08th February, 2020

At the outset, we extend our sincere regards and hearty greetings to the highest Judiciary of the Land, the ultimate authority to uphold and champion the principles of Natural Justice and equity in our country from all the apex organisations of Bank Officers' representing over 4,00,000 members.

2. We believe that Your Lordship is certainly aware that presently the Bank officers and employees have adopted an agitation programme under the banner of United Forum of Bank Unions (UFBU). This agitation is within the legal framework of the industrial reconciliation process to press for our justified demands for decent and respectable wage revision, 5 day week, regulated working hour, revision in family pension, updation of pension amongst the others. Though more than a reasonable time of 27 months has elapsed, no significant progress has been made or initiated on the part of IBA to meet our demands. We have been very patient with the negotiation process but that has not yielded any result. At last, we were compelled to announce the agitation programme starting from 20th January 2020 which also included in a two days strike on 31st January and 01st February 2020. We have also called for strikes on 11th March to 13th March 2020 and indefinite strike from 01st April 2020 in the entire banking industry.

3. We beg to draw the attention of Your Lordship that a National Lok Adalat is scheduled to be held on 08th February 2020, which falls on the 2nd Saturday of the month, a holiday for bankers. Under the agitation programme it has been decided unanimously by all the unions that our members will not attend any official meeting/ work at late hours on working days and are refrained themselves to work on holidays and Sundays. The schedule of the Lok Adalat will therefore prove to be a complication in this regard. Though we reiterate our commitment to the Constitution of India and our deepest respect to the judiciary, we request Your Lordship to place the matter in the proper context and extend your benevolent co-operation in this matter.

On behalf of 4.00 lakh Bank officers, we, therefore, pray before Your Lordship for this judicial forbearance from your august office in issuing instructions for postponing the said Lok Adalat to a working Saturday for banks and for which action our entire fraternity will remain grateful to you.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,

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General Secretary
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