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## To All Affiliates (Please Circulate)

Dear Comrade,

## Alboc Issued Press Statement Condemning the Brutal Killing of Bank Officer in the Kashmir Valley

We reproduce hereunder the text of AIBOC press release dated 02.06.2022 condemning the brutal killing of bank officer in the Kashmir valley and demanding proper security to the bank officer and employees posted therein. Copy of the press release has also been sent to the Secretary, DFS; Chairman SBI and all MD & CEOs of all public sector as well as private sector banks for their information and necessary action.

With regards.

Yours Comradely,

(Soumya Datta) General Secretary

## Text of the press release dated 02.06.2022

All India Bank Officers' Confederation, the apex trade union representing the Supervisory Cadre in the Banking Industry expresses deep concern and shock at the brutal murder of Sh. Vijay Kumar, Branch Manager of Ellaqahi Dehati Bank branch in District Kulgam of Kashmir. The Confederation conveys its heartfelt condolences to the family of the deceased.

AIBOC expresses deep concern and is greatly worried for the security, safety and wellbeing of hundreds of Bank employees belonging to the targeted communities and posted in the far flung areas/ branches in the Kashmir Valley outside Srinagar City. The organisation has been flagging the issue to Bank Managements at various levels for the last one year since the killing of Sh. Bindroo, a businessman dealing in medicine retail trade, in 2021, but unfortunately the concerned managements have not paid any heed to our requests till date. With a sudden and sharp escalation in such targeted killings over the last one week, our fears and concern for the safety and security of Bank Employees have grown manifold.

We once again remind the Management of all concerned Banks that it is their primary responsibility to make arrangements for the security of their employees working anywhere in the Kashmir Valley. The onus of ensuring the safety of the bank employees working anywhere in the Kashmir valley squarely rests with the management of various banks. The concerned managements, without wasting even a day further, need to act swiftly sans further delay.

AIBOC demands the following from the concerned managements:

- 1. Transfer all bank employees posted in various branches/ offices of respective banks in Kashmir valley to branches/ offices located in uptown Srinagar city.
- 2. Provide for adequate security in all such branches/ offices.
- 3. Provide for secured pooled accommodation for all such employees in uptown Srinagar city.
- 4. Provide for secured transport facility for daily movement of such employees between their pooled accommodation and place of work.
- 5. In case the State Government is unable to provide the required police personnel for security as detailed above, arrangement for private security should be made forthwith.

AIBOC reiterates that it is the time for adopting swift, efficient and effective security measures without further delay. All security measures need to be put in place peremptorily. We urge upon Bank Management and the appropriate administrative authorities to ensure the security and safety of Bank officers and employees.

Sd/-(Soumya Datta) General Secretary