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To All Affiliates and State Units

Dear Comrade,

BIPARTITE TALKS WITH IBA WAGE NEGOTIATION FOR OFFICERS: CORE COMMITTEE MEETING ROUND-2

We reproduce hereunder the text of UFBU Circular no.: UFBU/2023/13 dated 13-09-2023. The demands that were discussed in the officers sub-committee meeting are listed below and the remaining demands which form part of our Charter of Demands & Supplementary Charter of Demands will be discussed in successive meetings in due course.

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With greetings,

Rupam Roy General Secretary

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TO ALL CONSTITUENT UNIONS:

Dear Comrades,

BIPARTITE TALKS WITH IBA CORE COMMITTEE MEETING – ROUND -2

Further to the discussions held with the IBA's main Negotiating Committee on 31-8-2023, discussions were held at the Core Committee level set up exclusively for the demands of the workmen unions and officers associations. Discussions were held with Workmen Unions on 12-9-2023 and with Officers Associations on 13-9-2023 respectively.

Sri. Rajneesh Karnatak (MD&CEO, Bank of India) led the IBA team in the discussions with the workmen unions. From unions, representatives of AIBEA, NCBE, BEFI, NOBW and INBEF participated. Sri. O.P Mishra (Dy.MD, SBI) led the IBA team in the discussions with officers' associations. From associations, representatives of AIBOC, INBOC and NOBO participated.

Discussions with Workman Unions:

| 1. | Stagnation Increments | |
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| • | Additional Stagnation increments upto the period of retirement. | Agreed in principle subject to final cost Decision will be taken after getting details from |
| • | Stagnation increments to be given in case of reversion after one year | concerned banks. |
| 2. | Revision in Special Pay | |
| • | Special Pay to be revised by merger of DA and loading as in the case of Basic Pay | Will be discussed separately in a Smaller Committee |
| • | SWO-A to be merged with SWO-B | |
| • | All substaff to be designated as Daftary | |
| • | Additional increase in quantum of Special Pay with the additional Duties and responsibilities in each post | |
| • | Introduction of new Special Pay posts | |
| • | Revision of Graduation Pay/PQP/FPP on the same lines as in the case of Basic Pay | |
| • | Qualification increment/Pay for passing "Professional Banker" exam of Institute of Bankers | |
| • | Additional increment for post-graduate degree | |
| • | Additional increments to Subordinate staff for acquiring graduation | |
| 3. | Officiating Pay | |
| • | Restriction of minimum of 7 days for officiating as officer to claim officiating pay to be removed. | Offg. for 4 days and above will be paid. |
| • | Formula for computation of officiating pay to be made simple | A simple formula will be worked out. <u>Unions to</u> give details |
| 4. | Improvement in HRA | |
| • | Revision of HRA rates | Revised HRA rate will be finalised by main Committee |
| • | HRA at 150% payable on transfer to another station to be on declaration basis | Agreed |

| 5. | Transport Allowance | |
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| • | Reimbursement of cost of petrol for those who own | |
| | vehicles. In case of electric vehicles, the cost of | To be discussed in Main Committee |
| | charging the batteries to be reimbursed. Existing | |
| | transport allowance to be adequately enhanced | |
| ٠ | Transport allowance to be paid to Physically | Will be referred to govt. |
| | challenged/differently-abled employees as | |
| | applicable to Government employees | |
| 6. | Improvement in other allowances | |
| • | Hill and fuel allowance to be enhanced substantially | Will be taken up in Main committee |
| • | North-east incentive on the lines of Govt/RBI to be introduced | Will be taken up with govt |
| ٠ | Introduction of Lakshwadeep island Allowance and Andaman Nicobar Allowance | Agreed |
| • | Adequate increase in halting allowance and lodging expenses | Agreed as under: 1500 / 1350 / 1000 clerk 1100 / 900 / 600 substaff Hotel room rent ceiling 3000 / 2500 / 2000 clerk 1500 / 1250 / 1000 substaff Agreed at 35% of diem |
| • | When hotel room rent receipt is produced for reimbursement, 50% of Diem is to be paid towards boarding/food expenses | Agreed at 35% of diem |
| • | Provision for separate rates of diem and travel | |
| | expenses to employees sent on official duty/ deputation within the station and within the urban agglomeration based on distance criteria | At centres of 12 lacs and above, Diem will be paid if the distance between the original branch and deputed branch is 20 km and above. |
| • | Introduction of Education allowance | Agreed for 2 children upto graduation – amount subject to final costing |
| • | Introduction of Learning Allowance | Agreed - amount to be decided |
| • | Revision in Deputation Allowance | Agreed – amount to be decided |
| ٠ | Upward revision of cycle allowance, | Cycle/scooty allowance–250 pm |
| • | Washing allowance, | Washing allowance – 300 pm |
| ٠ | Split duty allowance etc. | Split duty allowance – 250 pm |
| 7. | Annual Medical Aid | |
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| Reimbursement of annual medical of expenses | heck-up Details will be called for from the various Banks and then decided |
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| Reimbursement for periodical eye check employees due to constant exposure to con | |

Discussions with Officers Associations:

| All existing Stagnation Increments up to Scale V should be converted to regular increment after one year from reaching maximum of the respective present scales. Two Additional Stagnation increments to be | IBA will look into it & come back |
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| introduced for all grades of officers. | |
| 2. Two increments for passing CAIIB | IBA is positive about the demand |
| 3. F.P.P.: It should be the last increment without any ceiling. FPP to be de-frozen. | Implications on Terminal Benefits, will be discussed further. |
| PQP: For completion of Part I JAIIB and Part II CAIIB, one and two increments respectively are to be considered instead of consolidated amount as in the past. | Implications on Terminal Benefits, will be discussed further. |
| 5. Stagnation increment to be paid to officers who have opted out from promotion | Will be discussed further based on data |
| 6. Upward revision of HRA | Agreed in principle, based on cost |
| 7. Self-Lease for officers to be introduced. | Individual Banks to decide |
| 8. Substantial increase of CCA & Location allowance (non CCA centres) for all | Agreed in principle- part of cost |
| 9. Learning Allowance to be enhanced substantially. | Agreed in Principle-Part of cost |
| 10. Closing allowance to be enhanced and paid every quarter. | IBA is positive about the demand |
| 11. Areas declared as SEZ/NEZ/EPZ: The branches coming under the above areas should be treated on par with Metro Centers for all allowances and perquisites. | Part of Cost, a detailed Note to be submitted by Officers`Associations |
| 12. Introduction of incentive for rural and other sensitive/difficult areas. | Positive Response-detailed proposal is to be submitted by Officers` Associations |
| Improvement in special area allowance and special compensatory allowance for N.E, Jammu, Kashmir, Himachal, Leh, Ladakh, Sikkim, Andaman, Uttarakhand and red corridor / disturbed areas | Will be examined after reviewing the Extant Govt. Guidelines and notifications. |
| Improvement of lumpsum amount as compensation on transfer. & Payment of lumpsum amount on mid-academic transfer to meet the education expenses of children on account of transfer. | Agreed to review, asked for a detailed proposal from Officers Association |
| 15. Improvement in Leave Fare Concession and monetization of LFC - The entitlement of mode of | To be further analysed and discussed |

| travel should be made as air travel to all the officers. | |
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| 16. Improvement in all leave facilities/introduction of the concept of Leave Bank | Committee is formed to discuss separately |
| 17. Revision in Halting Allowance | Will be reviewed appropriately |
| 18. Revision in Lodging Expenses | Will be reviewed appropriately |
| 19. Education Allowance for Children to be introduced | May be considered up to 2 children till graduation-subject to Cost |
| 20. Yearly Executive Health check-up for all officers to | Principally agreed, to be further analysed |
| be introduced | and discussed |
| 21. Review of Disciplinary Rules Procedure | Committee is formed to discuss separately |

With greetings,

Yours comradely,

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