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Dear Comrades,

<u>The 5th Triennial Conference of Madhya Pradesh Gramin Bank Officers'</u> <u>Association</u>

4th Biennial Conference of Odisha Gramya Bank Officers' Organisation.

Strike on 15th & 16th March, 2021 – A thundering success

The 5th Triennial Conference of Madhya Pradesh Gramin Bank Officers' Association & the 4th Biennial Conference of Odisha Gramya Bank Officers' Organisation were successfully held on 21st Feb 2021 at Dewas and on 7th March at Cuttack respectively. In view of the prevailing pandemic situation, no pains were spared to provide the participants and the honourable guests a relatively safe and sanitised environment at both the venues. There was an infectious zeal among the delegates and the other participants at both the conference venues. The open sessions saw huge turnouts of members and there was a festive spirit in the air. They loudly cheered at and applauded the speeches of the dignitaries and the honourable leaders present at the conferences.

5th Triennial conference of MPGBOA

The dignitaries and guests were called to the dais and felicitated with flower bouquets by the comrades delegates from all regions. The Chairman of Madhya Pradesh Gramin Bank inaugurated the conference of MPGBOA by lighting the ceremonial lamp. He was followed by the other dignitaries on the dais.

The welcome address was rendered by Mrs. Akansha Hardiya, who also gave a brief introduction of the honourable guests. The inaugurator of the conference, Com. Sanjay Das, President, Federation of Bank of India Officers' Association, in his lucid speech dwelt on the need to unite and resist the ill-conceived move of the Central Govt. for privatisation of the Public Sector Banks. He enlightened the house on the vast potential of privatization of the Public Sector Banks to wreak havoc on the national economy.

Com. Sunil Kumar, the Chief Guest and the General Secretary of FBOIOA, delivered an envigorating and spirited speech. Addressing the youngsters, he explained the necessity of

ground level struggle instead of social media debates. Active participation in all agitation programmes was the need of the hour, to prepare for the bitter struggle which lay ahead, he said.

Mr. Sunil Sharma, Chairman Madhya Pradesh Gramin Bank, highlighted the present banking scenario and appreciated the role of the officers of Regional Rural Banks. He also highlighted the remarkable growth of Madhya Pradesh Gramin Bank. Laying emphasis on core banking business, he cautioned that though sale of third party products was required to improve the bottom line, it should never be allowed to occupy centre stage. He also spoke on the need to maintain a healthy work-life balance and effective time management to avoid late sitting at branches.

Com. Srijan Kr. Pal, General Secretary of AIRRBOF gave an overview of the Salary Revision process and discussed other vital issues such as Career Path of RRB Officers, recruitment and pension anomalies. AIRRBOF was ever vigilant and had taken appropriate organizational activities for effective resolution of various issues. He pointed to the inclusion of RRB officers as office bearers in BOI Officers' Association. He also discussed the pressure of selling third party products and unwarranted shifting of focus from core business.

The other speaker was Com. Rajkumar G. Makhija, one of the advisors of AIRRBOF. In his characteristic manner, he spoke on the problems of growth and development of the RRBs.

The open session was concluded with Vote of Thanks rendered by Com. Prem Singh Verma. The Delegate Session was held in the afternoon. After transaction of ordinary business, a strong committee was formed through open elections. The new committee took up the reins for next three years and till the conclusion of the subsequent triennial.

Com. Kumar Satyam Shivam was elected as the President and **Com. Krishna Pal Singh Tomar** was elected as the General Secretary.

On behalf of AIRRBOF, I take this opportunity to congratulate the newly elected leadership. I am confident that the new team will continue to play a positive, constructive and militant role in consolidating the movement of the Gramin Bank Officers.

4th Biennial Conference of OGBOO

The 4th Biennial Conference of Odisha Gramya Bank Officers' Organisation was held at Cuttack. Com. Murali Soundararajan T, President AIBOC Com. Srijan Kr Pal, General Secretray, AIRRBOF, Shri Mohan M, Chairman of Odidha Gramya Bank, Com. Bhabani Sankar Mishra, Jt. General Secretary, IOB Officers' Association, and all the dignitaries and guests were called to the dais and felicitated with flower bouquets by the comrades from Odisha Gramya Bank along with their General Secretary. Brief descriptions about the dignitaries on the dais were given. They also mentioned the inclusion of undersigned as a signatory in the 8th Joint note. The hall erupted into a huge round of applause.

Lighting of the lamp was done by all the dignitaries present. The inaugural song was presented by a group of child artists under the banner of Sangeet Sadhana Kala Parishad, Cuttack. Mr. Gouri Shankar Das co-ordinated the programme very smoothly.

Shri. P. C. Panda, General Secretary OGBOO delivered a short speech welcoming everyone with suitable greetings and placed the General Secretary's Report.

Two minutes silence was observed for paying homage to the demise of several towering personalities, terrorists attack on CRPF at Pulwama, demise of COVID warriors and people affected by natural disaster at Uttarakhand.

Com. Sabyasachi Swain, General Secretary, AIBOC, Odisha State Unit, delivered his lucid speech. He also urged all the members of OGBOO or other members of RRBs under the banner of AIRRBOF to participate in the upcoming agitation programme and strike called by UFBU.

Com. Damodar Nanda, President, AIBOC, Odisha State Unit greeted all and delivered his valuable speech in local language.

Com. Bhabani Sankar Mishra, Joint Secretary, IOB Officers' Association, Kolkata Zone praised the Chairman for his concern and involvement in the development of Odisha Gramya Bank. He mentioned that in an organisation numbers do matter as much as the quality. He expressed his pride for being a part of such a militant organization as AIBOC. He expressed his hope that the younger generation of bank officers would come to the forefront to lead OGBOO as well as AIBOC in future.

Com. Srijan Kr. Pal, General Secretary AIRRBOF, during his deliberation he discussed several issues like Current position of Banking Industry, implementation of Salary Revision to RRBs, Pension Anomalies, Career path and Manpower Policy in detail and also outlined the roadmap of the struggle ahead. He suggested inclusion of one office bearer from OGBOO to AIBOC, Odisha State Unit. The entire hall burst into loud cheers on conclusion of his speech.

Com. Murali Soundararajan T, President, AIBOC, greeted all present and praised the Chairman for his perfection. He also mentioned Com. Srijan Kumar Pal's arguments at all AIBOC meetings on problems related to RRBs. His speech also covered several issues arising out of the pandemic situation. He said that wage revision during pandemic was path breaking and a dream come true and could be achieved only with the exemplary leadership of AIBOC and UFBU. He informed the house that the UFBU meeting was held on 9th February in Hyderabad on the ongoing protest against Privatisation. He stated that the Joint letter sent to DFS for releasing new salary without further delay to RRB could be possible due to relentless follow up by Com. Srijan Kumar Pal

Sri. Mohan M, Chairman OGB said during his speech that OGB Staffs are having immense potential and capabilities, with their help only today OGB is the second best performing bank. He started his career as an employee of rural branch and put more emphasis on microfinance. OGB has outperformed due to timely promotion and adequate recruitment as well. He mentioned growth opportunities for young generations.

The open session was concluded with Vote of Thanks rendered by Com. Prasanta Kumar Meher, President OGBOO. In Delegate Session **Com. Prasanta Kumar Meher** was re-elected as the President and **Com. Biraja Prasad Kar** was elected as the General Secretary unanimously by the house.

Heartiest congratulations to the newly elected young leadership and urge upon the new team for active participation in all the programmes under the banner of AIRRBOF.

Strike on 15th & 16th March, 2021 - A Thundering Success

On behalf of AIRRBOF and on my own behalf, I extend to you my warmest greetings for your active, lively and spontaneous participation in the two day strike on the 15th and 16th of March, 2021 at the call of our Federation. Dear Comrades, the struggle is however far from over. Let us therefore pledge to strengthen our solidarity and brace ourselves for the bitter struggle ahead. By remaining united, we shall be able to defeat all evil forces of disruption and disharmony.

With warm Greetings,

(Srijan Kumar Pal) General Secretary