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AGM of Rural Bank Officers' Association-Uttarbanga Unit & Visit to VKGB

Dear Comrade,

The Annual General Meeting of **Rural Bank Officers' Association, Uttar Banga Unit** was held on **8**th **February, 2020** at Thakur Panchanan Bhawan, Cooch Behar. The dedicated members of RBOA made relentless efforts to make the conference a grand success. The meeting hall was jam-packed with members.

Com Pradip kr. Dev, President of RBOA-UU, hoisted the flag and paid homage at The Martyr's Altar by laying floral wreaths. The other dignitaries, leaders and members also placed flower garlands and saluted the altar.

The dignitaries and honoured guests were thereafter called to the dais and felicitated with flower bouquets. Comrade Sanjoy Das, State Secretary, AIBOC, West Bengal State Unit, inaugurated the conference by lighting the ceremonial lamp and was followed by the other dignitaries on the dais. Before the inaugural address, Mr. Sandip Roy and his team sang the inaugural song.

The welcome address was delivered by the Chairman, Reception Committee, Com. Prosenjit Mondal, who also gave brief introductions of the dignitaries and honoured guests.

The inaugurator of the Conference, Com. Sanjoy Das, State Secretary, AIBOC, West Bengal State Unit rendered an invigorating and motivating speech before the House. He also highlighted the salary revision issue and appreciated the fight of the members of RBOA-UU against the Management.

Com. Srijan Kr. Pal, General Secretary, AIRRBOF dwelt at length on the entire gamut of the issues concerning RRBs, including discrimination meted out to the officers in the matter of superannuation benefit, career path, recruitment, etc. He also affirmed that resolution of all those issues is on the priority list of the Federation. He mentioned that the Supreme Court has upheld the verdict of Madhyapradesh High Court and has rejected the appeal of Madhyanchal Gramin Bank Management. Calcutta High Court has also given its verdict in favour of the retirees, he added. General Secretary explained in detail why we observed the last strike on 31st January and 1st February, 2020. He informed the House on matters relating to the pension Case. The General Secretary wished the conference all success.

Shri G S Bedi, Chairman of UKGB, warmly greeted the gathering. He mentioned the position of the Bank. He also appealed to members of UKGB to leave no stone unturned for improving the position of growth of business of the Bank.

Com. Jnanananda Bhattacharya, General Secretary, WBRRBOA addressed the house with his motivating speech. He referred to the speech of GS, AIRRBOF and expressed his deep admiration for the excellent leadership qualities of the GS. He also greeted the House and congratulated the members of RBOA-UU for the grand arrangement of the conference.

Thereafter, a few **Retired Comrades** were felicitated and urged to address the House. In their brief speeches, they expressed the need of handholding of the Retirees' Forum by their Parent Association.

Com. Tarun Saha, Sr. Vice President, AIBOC, WBSU greeted all members of the House. He discussed a number of issues viz. 5 day week, work life balance and equal pay for equal work. He called upon the assembled members for active participation in all AIBOC Programmes.

The Open Session was concluded with a Vote of Thanks rendered by Com. Pradip kr. Dev, President of RBOA-UU.

The Delegate Session was held in the afternoon. The report of the General Secretary was placed. The Treasurer placed the Statement of Accounts. Both were passed by the house unanimously. A team of Office Bearers and EC members were thereafter elected unanimously. On behalf of AIRRBOF and on my own behalf, I congratulate the newly elected Office Bearers.

The newly elected Office Bearers of RBOA-Uttarbanga Unit are:-

- President Sujit Sinha.
- Vice president- Pijush Kanti Roy.
- Vice president Subir Atorthy.
- General Secretary Biplab Dhar.
- Deputy General Secretary Sayantani Ghosh.
- ✤ Asst. Secretary Biswajit Gupta.
- ✤ Asst. Secretary Ayan Dey.
- ✤ Asst. Secretary- Sanatan Barman.
- ✤ Asst. Secretary Soumana Basu.
- Treasurer Dibakar Majumder.

The conference was a grand success.

VISIT TO VIDHARBHA KONKAN GRAMIN BANK

Com. Srijan Kumar Pal, General Secretary AIRRBOF, along with a group of delegates visited the Head Office of Vidharbha Konkan Gramin Bank Head Office in Nagpur for holding discussion with the management of VKGB on various problems faced by the officers of the bank. The issue of growth and development of the bank also came up. The discussions were held in a cordial atmosphere.

With greetings,

<u>(S.K.PAL)</u> GENERAL SECRETARY