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TO ALL OUR MEMBERS:

COM.SOUMYA DATTA, TAKES OVER AS THE GENERAL SECRETARY OF AIBOC

We reproduce hereunder the text of AISBOF Circular No. 49 dated 29th June, 2018, the contents of which are self-explicit.

Comradely yours,

(Deepak K Sharma)

General Secretary

TEXT

QUOTE

Our comrades are aware that Com. D. T. Franco Rajendra Dev, the General Secretary of All India Bank Officers Confederation and the President of All India State Bank Offices' Federation laid down his office on 25th June 2018, on account of his superannuation on 30th June and in adherence to the rich tradition that we have been following both in the Federation as well as the Confederation that the serving officers will only lead our movement. Com.Soumya Datta, the senior vice-president of the Federation and also the General Secretary of the SBIOA, Bengal Circle was unanimously elected as the President of the Federation in the General Council Meeting held at Chennai on 23rd to 25th June 2018 in the place of Com.D. T. Franco Rajendra Dev.

2. The Executive Committee of the AIBOC which met at Chennai on 26th June 2018 had an occasion to deliberate on the issue of filling up of the post of the General Secretary, fallen vacant on account of Com. D. T. Franco Rajendra Dev, demitting his office of the General Secretary of the Confederation and the need for filling up the vacancy so caused. The leaders of the Federation who also participated in the meeting proposed that Com. Soumya Datta, the President of the Federation should be co-opted as the General Secretary of the Confederation. The proposal was accepted unanimously and Com. Soumya Datta, was co-opted as the General Secretary of the All India Bank Officers' Confederation for the remaining triennial period of 2017-2020.

3. Comrades, it is yet another feather in the cap of our Federation that our beloved President Com. Soumya Datta, was the unanimous choice of the Confederation and he is now entrusted with the responsibility of leading the Confederation at a very crucial juncture. It is also a great honour for our beloved Federation that the affiliates of the Confederation have expressed their faith and

confidence in the leadership of the Federation and have entrusted this responsibility to our beloved President of the Federation.

4. Com.Soumya Datta, was born on 27th November 1962 at Kolkata. He is B.A.(Econ.) LLB., MBA, CFP and CAIIB. He joined the Bank as a probationary officer in the year 1987 and was promoted as Scale II in the year 1998. As a follower of the rich tradition that was set up by some of the senior leaders in our Officers' movement he remained in Scale II and did not go for further promotion in the bank. He has served in various capacities under the able leaders of Bengal Circle Association in all the positions thus imbibing the capacity of understanding and solving the problems of the members at the grass root level. He joined as an active office-bearer of the association in the year 1990 and since then he has held almost all the positions in the Circle Association as well as in Federation and the Confederation during his last 28 years of experience in the trade union movement. Thus he comes with a lot of experience in the organization backed by the banking experience and is in a position to understand the intricacies of the banking work as well as the trade union issues comprehensively.

5. Com.Soumya Datta, is also known for his oratory skills and is committed to the trade union cause. His total involvement in the trade union activities in the Bengal Circle Association has given him a tremendous experience and confidence of dealing with all the issues concerned with the Officers' fraternity.

6. He entered the union field as a student activist being a member of the Student Federation of India. He is also known for his proficiency in Hockey, Table Tennis, Football, Cricket, Swimming etc. He is equally known for cultural and social activities through his participation in the literary as well as the cultural activities both in the student days as well as during his career in the Association.

7. Comrades, the banking industry is under tremendous pressure. We have number of issues lining up before the Confederation. While we are concerned about the ill-advised moves of the Government in regard to the merger and privatization, we are also now bogged down with the salary revision negotiations where the Government and IBA have been adopting a negative attitude. The Confederation has a big challenge before the organization. The challenge of the successful conclusion of salary revision, the prevention of the ugly moves of the Government in regard to the merger of the banks etc., In the given circumstances, we are confident that Com.Soumya Datta, our General Secretary of the Confederation will be able take the organization to a greater heights of glory and success in the days to come. The entire Federation stands with our President Com.Soumya Datta in ensuring success in all endeavours.

With greetings,



(Y. SUDARSHAN)
GENERAL SECRETARY