



# ALL INDIA BANK EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION

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## **To Office Bearers, State Federations and All India Bankwise Federations**

Dear Comrades,

### **Office Bearers Meeting**

A meeting of the Office Bearers of AIBEA was held in Bengaluru yesterday, i.e. 16-1-2026. Com. Rajen Nagar, President could not attend due to his sudden indisposition and hence the meeting was jointly presided over by the Vice Presidents viz. Com. P R Mehta, Com. J P Sharma, Com. Partha Chanda and Com. N Shankar.

### **UFBUs call for All India Bank Strike on the 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2026:**

The General Secretary reported on the developments regarding the UFBUs call for strike on the 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2026 to press our demand for declaring the remaining two Saturdays as holidays.

The meeting noted that even though the IBA had agreed to the same with an increase in daily working hours by 40 minutes, the Government is yet to accord its approval for the same, even though two years have lapsed after signing the MoU on 7-2-2023.

The meeting noted that already 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays are holidays for the Banks since 2015 and the banks have been running smoothly without any hassle for the banking public and hence declaring remaining Saturdays as holidays will not create any hassle for the customers in as much as the working hours will be increased by 40 minutes on the other working days.

The meeting felt that since the Government is not approving the recommendations of the IBA based on the understanding with the UFBUs and thus denying the genuine demand of the employees and officers who are nowadays working with undue stress, the strike on this issue has become unavoidable and inevitable.

The meeting called upon all our units and members including in the RRBs and Co-op. Banks to implement the strike successfully.

**Call for General Strike on 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2026:** The meeting noted that 10 Central Trade Unions (INTUC, AITUC, HMS, CITU, AIUTUC, TUCC, SEWA, AICCTU, LPF, UTUC) have given the call for countrywide General Strike on the 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2026 against the continued anti-worker policies, particularly, the unilaterally declared new Labour Codes.

Since these new Labour Codes will weaken our existing hard-won labour rights and will endanger the job security and permanent jobs, the meeting welcomed and endorsed the strike call and decided to wholeheartedly participate in the strike on 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2026.

The meeting noted that since this strike will be in immediate succession after the 27<sup>th</sup> January strike, meetings should be held at all levels by our State Federations and Unions so that all our members are explained of the retrograde provisions for the new Labour Codes and the important need to protest against the same and all our members consciously participate in the General Strike understanding the dangers ahead.

**AIBEA's 30<sup>th</sup> National Conference & 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations:**

All our unions and members are already aware that we have scheduled to hold the 30<sup>th</sup> National Conference of AIBEA at Bengaluru in Karnataka from 19<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2026. Office bearers discussed the tentative programmes and arrangements being made for the Conference.

Looking to expenses to be incurred for the Conference, it was decided to collect Rs. 2500 per delegate/observer to be paid to the Reception Committee. All State Federations are also to remit Annual Fees to AIBEA at the rate of Rs. 6 per member year upto the year 2025.

**Formation of Reception Committee:** Karnataka Pradesh Bank Employees Federation who are hosting the ensuing AIBEA Conference has formed the Reception Committee for making all necessary arrangements for the Conference. (Chief Patron Com P S Sundaresan, Chairman Prof. Babu Mathew, Dy. Chairman Com M S Srinivasan, President, KPBEF and Secretary Com M Jayanath, General Secretary, KPBEF).

With greetings,

Yours Comradely,



**C.H. VENKATACHALAM**  
**GENERAL SECRETARY**