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ALL THE MEMBERS:

Dear Comrades,

We reproduce hereunder the **JOINT CIRCULAR** issued by AIBEA @ BEFI, dated: 23-9-2013, for your information.

With Greetings,

Yours Comradely,

(JAGDISH M BHAVTHANKAR)
GENERAL SECRETARY

TEXT OF JOINT CIRCULAR:



ALL INDIA BANK EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION

BANK EMPLOYEES FEDERATION OF INDIA

CIRCULAR TO ALL UNITS & MEMBERS:

23-9-2013

Dear Comrades,

- **Our call for strike on 25th September,2013 – CLC held conciliation meeting – Government and SBI clarified that no decision has been taken on merger of PSBs/Associate Banks at present – strike on 25th Sept. 2013 deferred.**

Further to the strike call given by AIBEA and BEFI against the banking sector reforms, consolidation of PSBs, closure of Associate Banks to merge with SBI, licences to corporate houses, etc., our unions and members were earnestly preparing for the implementation of the strike call. At our request, UFBU had also extended its support to our demands and strike call. In the midst of our preparations for the strike, the Chief Labour Commissioner had convened conciliation proceedings on 20-9-2013 and also today. In today's meeting, besides the IBA, representatives of SBI (Dy. Managing Director) and the Finance Ministry (Director, DFS) also participated in the discussions.

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From our side we explained the reason for the strike call and how the banking reforms would be harmful and not beneficial to our country and people at large. We also submitted why licences should not be given to corporate houses to start their own Banks. We also expressed our protest against the frequent utterances in the press about possible merger of Public Sector Banks, as also Associate Banks with SBI. We also demanded that the Associate Banks be de-linked from SBI and made independent Banks so that they can progress better.

IBA stated that all these issues are of policy nature and hence they have no jurisdiction over the same.

The SBI representative stated that even though there have been proposals before them, no decision has been taken at present for closure or merger of Associate Banks.

The Government representative also clarified that no proposal for merger of Public Sector Banks or merger of any Associate Bank with SBI has been received by them.

As regards service conditions of employees of Associate Banks, IBA stated that the same would be governed by the Bipartite Settlement and no unilateral imposition of any service conditions.

On all other demands and issues, the CLC requested the representative of the Government to convey our views to the Government.

In view of the above developments, it has been decided to defer the strike notice and not to go on strike on 25th September, 2013 as announced earlier.

Comrades, this struggle has helped us to bring our issues and concerns to focus. In the conciliation meeting also we have sufficiently apprised the Government, the IBA and SBI management of our views on these issues. Your unity and preparation for the strike has enabled them to understand our issues and not to precipitate. We congratulate all our units and members for the same. But we know the overall economic policies of the Government and hence we should remain ever vigilant and watchful.

With greetings,

C.H. VENKATACHALAM
GENERAL SECRETARY
AIBEA

(PRADIP BISWAS)
GENERAL SECRETARY

BEFI

25th September programme of Trade Union Convention:

Extend full support to the programme of National Trade Union Convention – Join the local programmes on 25th September, 2013 along with the Central Trade Unions wherever possible or hold independent demonstrations and rallies in support of the common 10 point demands of the trade unions and against the anti-people, anti-labour policies of the Government.

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