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CIRCULAR NO.15 TO ALL UNITS/MEMBERS

"UNION DAY" - 20th JUNE 2017

The first ever 'UNIQUE' and 'HISTORIC', "UNION DAY" was observed on the 20th June 2017 in accordance with the unanimous decision taken by the Working Committee in its meeting held on 26th January 2017. Meetings, in this connection, were held all over the Circle at all Centers where the Module Offices and Headquarters of the Union are situated, in a befitting manner. It is a matter of pride that members have contributed on their own and conducted Social Service Activities like donation of needy items to Orphanages, Old Age Homes, etc, and organized Blood Donation Camps at various places in the States of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh as a mark of respect to our departed "Legendary Leader" beloved Com. Y. Tharak Nath.

The occasion was "Unique and Historic" because it was the first time in the history of our Union specially an "UNION DAY" was observed. Gracious presence of some of the former Leaders, who served the Union in various positions, senior members, newly recruited members, erstwhile Associate Bank employees, who joined in our organization after the merger of Associate Banks with State Bank of India, who assembled under 'one roof' added importance to the occasion. As a token of recognition of their services rendered to the organisation, former Central Committee Members were felicitated on the occasion of Union Day.

The "UNION DAY" meeting arranged at Headquarters of the Union, commenced with warm welcome to our beloved past and present leaders Com. N. Radhakrishnan, President of our Union unfurled the Union Flag amidst thunderous slogans and huge applause from large number of members present thereat. The meeting was presided over by Com. N. Radhakrishnan, President of our Union. The event commenced with a prayer, the traditional lighting of lamp and floral tributes to the departed leader Com. Y Tharak Nath by the Office-bearers on the dais.

Com. N. Radhakrishnan, in his opening remarks, welcomed the former Presidents Com. D.S.N. Raju, Com. P. Nanda Kishore and Com. K.S. Ramachandra Rao and other former Central Committee Members and acknowledged their services for laying a strong foundation for the Organisation. He paid homage to Com. Y. Tharak Nath as one of the most committed and effective leaders in the history of SBISUHC, who served the Union in various capacities for more than two decades and expressed that the observance of Union Day denotes the highest tribute that can be given to Com. Y. Tharak Nath who has sacrificed his majority lifetime and even his life towards the growth of the organization.

Com. D.S.N. Raju, Com. P. Nanda Kishore and Com. K. S. Ramachandra Rao, in their brief speeches, hailed the unanimous decision taken by the Working Committee under the dynamic leadership of Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma, to observe "UNION DAY" as a mark of respect and recognition to the selfless and invaluable services rendered and ultimate sacrifice made by Com. Tharak Nath for the cause of the members and Union. They congratulated our leadership in effectively navigating the Organisation both at Federation level and Circle level and reposed total confidence that under the able leadership the Organisation would continue to reach greater heights. They explained the various struggles faced, sacrifices made by Com. Y. Tharak Nath in building up a strong Union for the welfare of members and described him as highly knowledgeable, committed, hardworking, intelligent, brave leader who dares to go to any extent to fight for the rights and welfare of the members. They also shared some of their memorable experiences and moments spent with Com. Tharak Nath. They made an appeal to the members to re-dedicate themselves, to safe guard the hard earned rights and said that the duty of keeping the Union strong now vests in the hands of the young generation.

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Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma, in his address, firstly appreciated and congratulated all the Office-Bearers, Local Secretaries and all the members of the Union for their sincere and untiring efforts, active participation and involvement in mobilizing the huge membership into our Union from erstwhile Associate Banks on their merger with SBI. He said that the unanimous decision to observe 20th June every year as "Union Day" was taken consciously as it was felt that it could be "the best way of paying tributes to Com. Tharak Nath in a befitting manner and to remember him forever'', to express our gratitude for all the struggles he faced and sacrifices he made to build a strong non-political independent trade union.

Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma reminisced about his association with Com. Y. Tharak Nath and said that he could speak volumes about him, be it as an exemplary leader with extraordinary communication and negotiation skills who relentlessly worked for the welfare of the members without compromising the interests of the members or as an intellect who could face any challenge head on and come out with amicable solutions. He described Com. Y. Tharak Nath as a Voracious Reader, a Great Orator, Highly Knowledgeable and a Visionary. He said that the various social service activities taken up under The "Union Social Responsibility (USR)" are symbolic of Com. Y. Tharak Nath's compassion and sense of responsibility towards the needy people of our society. He said that the guidance, principles and commitment of leaders like Com. Y. Tharak Nath are the ones which drive us even today to work towards a stronger future for SBISUHC for generations to come. Apprising the members about the latest developments in the Bank, he assured the e-ABs employees that their welfare is taken care of by both Federation and Union.

Com. Sarma, then, announced about the launch of the official website of SBISUHC as per the commitment given in the last Working Committee Meeting which is long pending demand from the members and requested Com. M.V. Murali, former Convener of UFBU, former General Secretary, All India State Bank of India Staff Federation and National Confederation of Bank Employees and former President of our Union to inaugurate the website of the Union.

Com. Murali delivered his message to the gathering via video call and recollected the various struggles faced to bring the Union to its present glory and urged the members to rededicate themselves to take the organisation to further greater heights. Thereafter, he inaugurated the official website of SBISUHC.

We advise all our members to make use of our Website, which is available at www.sbisuhc.co.in.

Subsequent to the Vote of thanks proposed by the organisers, the large number of members assembled thereat raised full-throat slogans and the historic event came to an end.

(V.V.S.R.SARMA)
GENERAL SECRETARY