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24th GENERAL BODY MEETING & GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS ON 24th AND 25th AUGUST 2019 AT GUNTUR A MAMMOTH SUCCESS

The 24^{th} General Body Meeting of our Union was held at B.P.R. Gardens, Guntur, as scheduled, on 24^{th} and 25^{th} August 2019.

A very large number of flexi banners, multi coloured buntings/logo flags enhanced the image of the meeting venue.

The Inaugural Session held on 24th August 2019, was a delight to watch for its extravaganza and the presence of more than 10,000 Delegates and Observers, who attended the Conference.

The Dignitaries, Federation Executives, Honourable Guests, were escorted upto the flag hoisting post in a festive procession by the jubilant members dancing to the tunes of "Teen Maar" and "Kerala Garagalu". Amidst full throated slogans like "Federation Zindabad", "SBISUHC Zindabad" and "Our Unity March On", our Union Flag was unfurled by Com. Sanjeev Kumar Bandlish, General Secretary, AISBISF and Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma, President, AISBISF and General Secretary, SBISUHC and thus initiated the historic Inaugural Ceremony on an artistically elevated platform.

Com. K.S. Ravindranath, Vice-President (HQs) presided over the Conference.

The Inaugural Session commenced with the presentation of dance form of famous Keertans "Bhaja Maanasa Vighneshwara Mahimam" and "Krishnam Kalaya Sakhi Sundaram" and the methodical movements by the dancers mesmerized the audience. Thereafter, the dignitaries were invited to the dais amidst thunderous applause of the audience. Picturisation through 'Drone' camera and projection through digital screen brought pleasant moments to the dignitaries and audience.

The Inaugural Session started with a prayer song followed by lighting of lamp by the dignitaries.

Com. N.C. Srinivasacharyulu, Chairman, Reception Committee, presented the welcome address and greeted all the dignitaries, delegates and observers to the Conference.

Shri K.T. Ajit, Chief General Manager (IR), State Bank of India, Corporate Centre, Mumbai, the Inaugurator, whole-heartedly thanked the organizers for inviting him to the General Body Meeting as it had also provided an opportunity to him to meet many of his colleagues from all over the country. He spoke high about Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma, General Secretary and paid rich tributes to him for his cool approach and great negotiating skills. He also appreciated the balanced approach of the Federation, aiming welfare of employees as well as the needs of the institution towards its growth. He further said that he expects the same positive attitude from Federation in the years to come. He concluded his speech wishing the General Body Meeting a grand success and Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma, General Secretary, a happy retired life.

Thereafter, the 5th edition of **"KNOW THYSELF"**, a comprehensive book on Service Conditions of the employees of State Bank of India, was released by Shri K.T. Ajit, Chief General Manager (IR), SBI, Corporate Centre, Mumbai and our beloved leader Com. S.K. Bandlish, General Secretary, AISBISF, amidst thunderous applause.



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Com. Sanjeev Kumar Bandlish, General Secretary, AISBISF & NCBE, the Chief Guest, congratulated the organizers for the excellent arrangements made for the Conference. He spoke about 11th Bipartite Wage Negotiations and developments at Bank level. He said that Non-Performing Assets (NPAs) in Banks are not because of employees and officers but because of the Government policies. He further said that due to constant and relentless efforts by our Federation, we were able to get Sportsmen Recruitment, Sub-staff to Clerical Promotion, Establishment of new Holiday Homes at various centres and Canteen Subsidy for last year. He wished Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma, General Secretary and Com. T. Subba Rao, General Treasurer a happy, prosperous and peaceful retired life.

Thereafter, the Souvenir named "Encomiums", which was brought out by our Union as a tribute to our beloved leader Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma on his retirement on superannuation, was released by Sanjeev K. Bandlish, General Secretary, AISBISF and NCBE, Com. Ajay N. Badani, Senior Vice-President, AISBISF and Com. Siddhartha Khan, Senior Vice-President, AISBISF, amidst thunderous applause.

Shri Manikantan Nayar, General Manager (NW-II), Amaravati Circle, conveyed thanks to the organizers for inviting him to the Conference and lauded the leadership of Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma, General Secretary and paid rich tributes to the Union for the co-operation extended for the growth of the Circle. He concluded by wishing the Conference all success and a happy retired peaceful life to Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma, General Secretary.

Shri K.V. Bangarraju, Deputy General Manager & Circle Development Officer, Hyderabad Circle, opined that Bank would come out of the present menace of NPAs in near future and also said that challenges are not new to Bank. He spoke highly about his regards for Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma and also his cool approach as well as his negotiating skills and wished a happy and peaceful retired life to Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma.

Com. S.C. Balaji, President, NCBE, in his address praised the proactive role of the Circle Union and exhorted the members to maintain the same unity in future also. He complimented Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma for the excellent arrangements for conduct of the General Body and wished him a happy and peaceful retired life.

Com. Ajay N. Badani, Senior Vice-President, AISBISF and General Secretary, SBI Employees Union (Ahmedabad Circle), Com. Siddhartha Khan, Senior Vice-President, AISBISF and General Secretary, SBI Staff Association (Bengal Circle), Com. B. Sukkaiah, General Secretary, State Bank of India Officers' Association, Hyderabad Circle, Com. C. Surya Kumar, General Secretary, SBI Officers' Association, Amaravati Circle, Com. N. Aravind Kumar, General Secretary, SBI SC/ST Employees' Welfare Association, Amaravati Circle, Com. V. Bhargava Kumar, General Secretary, SBI SC/ST Employees' Welfare Association, Hyderabad Circle and Com. A. Ramesh Babu, General Secretary, SBI Pensioners' Association, Hyderabad Circle attended the Conference as Guests of Honour and enthused the gathering with their speeches.

On the occasion, an Audio Visual depicting the Trade Union Career of our beloved General Secretary Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma was presented which was highly appreciated by the dignitaries and the members.

Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma, General Secretary of our Union, who is also the President of the Federation, applauded the services of the Reception Committee for the stellar efforts put in by them to make this Conference a grand success even under adverse weather conditions. He congratulated the 'KNOW THYSELF' Committee, who worked hard day in and day out to bring out the $5^{\rm th}$ revised edition during the Conference. He thanked everyone, who had helped him in his journey to this pinnacle position. He also thanked the entire membership of our Union and leadership of both AISBISF and Circle Union for the total support given to him during his tenure as an Office-Bearer in both the organizations.

At the end of the Inaugural Session, Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma and Com. T. Subba Rao were felicitated in a grand manner by the Dignitaries, Leaders of Federation, NCBE and Affiliate Unions of the Federation in recognition of the innumerable services rendered by them to the Bank employees.



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Com. T. Subba Rao, General Treasurer, in his response thanked the leadership of past and present for giving him an opportunity to serve the membership of our Union.

Thereafter, Com. P. Venkateswara Rao, Secretary, Reception Committee proposed vote of thanks which marked the conclusion of Inaugural Session of the $24^{\rm th}$ General Body Meeting.

After a festive lunch, the Delegate Session started under the Chairmanship of Com. K.S. Ravindranath and Com V.V.S.R. Sarma, General Secretary on the dais.

The Minutes of the previous General Body Meeting of the Union held on 23rd and 24th April 2016 at Hyderabad, the Report of the General Secretary for the period since last General Body Meeting to this Meeting and the Statements of Accounts for the years 2016, 2017 and 2018 were approved unanimously by the General Body.

GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

The Celebrations to mark the Golden Jubilee Year of our mighty Union commenced on the 25th August 2019. In a huge procession, Com. Sanjeev Kumar Bandlish, General Secretary, AISBISF and NCBE and Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma, President, AISBISF and General Secretary, SBISUHC were seated on an elegantly decorated chariot escorted by Guards on horses along with cheering, jubilant members dancing to the rhythmic beats of "Teen Maar", "Thappetlu" and slogans on 'DJ' to the flag hosting platform.

Amidst thunderous slogans of the members, "Golden Jubilee" flag of our Union was unfurled by Com. Sanjeev Kumar Bandlish, General Secretary, AISBISF and NCBE and Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma, President, AISBISF and General Secretary, SBISUHC along with all former Presidents of our Union on the platform, which was an initiation to the historic inaugural ceremony of our Union's "Golden Jubilee Year" Celebrations. The Inaugural Session commenced on an auspicious note with the dance "Aananda Nartana Ganapathim" by young artistes, followed by the mesmerizing performance by the dance troupe to the song "Swarnostava Sambarala Vela Swagatam Palukuthondhi Guntur Nela" which took the ecstasy and energy levels of the audience in meeting hall to the peak.

Shri P.V.S.L.N. Murthy, Chief Strategy Officer, SBI, Corporate Centre, Mumbai, the Inaugurator, in his inaugural speech thanked the organizers for inviting him to the Golden Jubilee Celebrations of Union and shared his experiences of his association with Hyderabad Circle and his special relationship with Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma. He concluded by wishing the celebrations a grand success and a happy and peaceful retired life to Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma.

Com. Sanjeev Kumar Bandlish, General Secretary, AISBISF and NCBE, attended the celebrations as Chief Guest and addressed the gathering and extended greetings to the members for celebrating the Golden Jubilee of the Union.

Com. M.V. Murali, former General Secretary, AISBISF and NCBE and former President, SBISUHC, the distinguished guest, spoke on the journey of the Union since formation and emphasized on leadership qualities required to become a successful leader. He wished Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma and Com. T. Subba Rao a happy retired life.

The presence of Trade Union Stalwarts of yester years added glitter to the Golden Jubilee Celebrations and provided a great opportunity to the young generation comrades to meet and interact with former Presidents and retired leaders.

Thereafter, an Audio Visual presented the glorious history of the Union from its formation days and the achievements of the legendary leaders who led the organization to the present position. The Audio Visual evoked emotional responses from the entire gathering.

Befitting the occasion, all the former Principal Office-Bearers who attended the Golden Jubilee Celebrations were felicitated on stage by Com. K.S. Ravindranath, Vice-President (HQs) and Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma, General Secretary and presented with a memento depicting the "Journey of United Movement" of the Circle Union in the last 50 years.

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The Guests of Honour, Com. G. Seshagiri Rao, Com. D.S.N. Raju, Com. P. Nanda Kishore, Com. K.S. Ramachandra Rao and Com. N. Radhakrishnan, former Presidents of SBISUHC in their address congratulated the membership for the unity and militancy displayed by them through these five decades.

On this occasion, our Union also felicitated two of our staff members Com. Pabbisetti Sekhar, Holder of Guinness Book of world records for largest collection of Lord Ganesha idols and Com. K. Shravya Rau, who anchored the two days programme excellently.

As a mark of the Golden Jubilee of the Union and as a part of Union Social Responsibility (USR) financial aid was extended to the inmates of "Amma Nanna Anadha Ashramam", an orphanage for mentally retarded destitutes.

The grand finale of the Golden Jubilee Celebrations was the felicitation to our beloved General Secretary Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma on account of his retirement from Bank's service on $31^{\rm st}$ August 2019 as well as relinquishing all positions in the Union, AISBISF and NCBE on the day of his retirement. All the present and former Office-Bearers of the Union from all Modules and Pensioners fraternity felicitated Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma and Com. T. Subba Rao and wished them a happy retirement life.

Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma, thanked all the Members, Dignitaries, Guests and all the Office-Bearers, past and present, for their presence and participation for the successful conduct of the Golden Jubilee Celebrations. He also expressed his grateful thanks for the affectionate farewell, which he said would remain in his heart forever.

The Delegate Session resumed around 4.00 P.M. under the Chairmanship of Com. K.S. Ravindranath.

Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma, General Secretary took up the items on agenda for deliberations.

Com. V.V.S.R. Sarma after explaining the background and reasons for bifurcating Union into Hyderabad and Amaravati Circle Unions, placed before the General Body, the relevant proposed Resolutions for bifurcation of Union, Amendments to Bye-Laws and Rules and a Resolution on sharing of Fixed Assets & Properties and Finances of SBISUHC between Hyderabad and Amaravati Circle Unions. The General Body unanimously approved all the proposed Resolutions and Amendments.

As proposed by the General Secretary, the General Body approved the formation of Election Committees with Com. B. Prakash and Com. G. Srinivasa Rao, as Chief Election Officers for Hyderabad and Amaravati Circle Unions respectively for conducting elections to the Working Committees of the Unions.

The Election Committees conducted elections to the positions of Office-Bearers of the Unions and we are glad to inform that, all the Office-Bearers to the Central Committee and Working Committee of both Hyderabad and Amaravati Circle Unions were elected unanimously and that marked the successful conclusion of the 24th General Body Meeting and Golden Jubilee Year Celebrations of our Union.

We place on record our sincere thanks to the entire membership, the Reception Committee Members and scores of volunteers who have put in their tireless efforts for the mammoth success of the Conference.

(R. SRIRAM) GENERAL SECRETARY