

# State Banks' Staff Union (Kerala Circle)

(Affiliated to All India State Bank of India Staff Federation)

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To All Unit Secretaries



State Bank of India  
Local Head Office  
Poojappura  
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Dear Comrade,

## **COM. PHILIP KOSHY**

We bid farewell to an extraordinary leader, a stalwart of our union, Com. Philip Koshy, as he steps down from his role as General Secretary of SBSU (KC) and Senior Vice-President of AISBISF on October 31, 2023.

Born on 9<sup>th</sup> October, 1963, in Punalur, Kollam District, Kerala, Com. Philip Koshy emerged from a family deeply rooted in service and dedication. His journey began in Gaya, Bihar, where he completed his schooling at Nazareth Academy. It was during his college years at Gaya College, under Magadha University, that his passion for community service took shape through Rotaract, the youth wing of the Rotary International Club, where his leadership and dedication were evident.

His pursuit of higher education led him to earn an M.Com degree from Magadh University followed by an MBA from LN Institute of Management, Patna. However, fate had a different plan when he received an appointment letter from the State Bank of India in 1987, marking the beginning of his dedicated service.

Starting in Rohtas district, Bihar, and subsequently moving to various branches in Kerala, his dedication and commitment were evident throughout his journey. In the year 2000, during the establishment of the Kerala Circle, he was elected as the Assistant General Secretary for the Pathanamthitta and Idukki zones. In 2009, he transitioned to the Trivandrum Module, assuming the role of DGS Branches at the Thiruvananthapuram sub-office of SBSU(KC) and subsequently, he took on the responsibility of Deputy General Secretary there.

Assuming the presidency of SBSU (KC) in 2013 and continuing as the Vice-President of All India State Bank of India Staff Federation until 2021, marked significant milestones in his journey. His zenith came in 2021 when he was appointed as the General Secretary of SBSU (KC) and assumed the role of DGS in AISBISF.

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His exemplary leadership skills at the national level led the AISBISF leadership to entrust him with the esteemed responsibility of Senior Vice President in the Federation in November 2022. Notably, he became the first-ever representative from Kerala to hold this prestigious position within the federation. He was also the National Joint Secretary of NCBE.

His tenure saw both challenges and triumphs, across his 36 years of service. During the turbulent period following the introduction of MPSF in the Thiruvananthapuram Circle, he faced personal attacks from various corners. However, he stood resolute in his commitment to uphold the banner of SBSU (KC), displaying unwavering determination to keep everyone united and focused. His pivotal achievements include steering the purchase of union land and commencing its construction in the heart of Trivandrum city.

He is married to Smt. Bini Philip, they are blessed with two daughters. His elder daughter, Shilpa Sara Philip settled in Chennai with her husband Joseph John and their daughter Johanna Susan Joseph. The younger daughter, Shikha Merin Philip, now works as an Audiologist and Speech Therapist in Mangalore.

As he embarks on a new chapter of life, we extend our heartfelt wishes to Comrade Philip Koshy for a restful and fulfilling journey ahead with his family. Your leadership, resilience, and unstinted support will be deeply missed. Your legacy of unity and commitment will forever be cherished in the annals of our organisation.

Thank you, Comrade Philip Koshy, for your relentless dedication and unwavering commitment to the welfare of our members.

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General Secretary

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