

# State Banks' Staff Union (Kerala Circle)

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

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To All Unit Secretaries



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Dear Comrade,

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## **Silver Jubilee Celebration - A Glorious Start!**

History was created once again as the Silver Jubilee celebrations of our beloved and mighty organisation, the State Banks' Staff Union (Kerala Circle), commenced with grandeur at the inaugural conference held at Com. A P Raveendran Nagar, Sumangali Auditorium, Kozhikode on **January 11, 2025**. The overwhelming success of this mammoth gathering reaffirms the strength, unity, and resilience of our organisation.

The conference began with vibrant cultural programs performed by comrades from our Calicut Sub Office, showcasing their talents and dedication to the union spirit. Next was the hoisting of our union flag amidst slogans raised by one of our lady comrades which echoed thunderously around from the voices that rose from a thousand throats. Floral tributes were paid to the forefathers of our union, honouring their sacrifices and contributions to the labour movement. Then Com. Saju K, General Convenor, delivered a warm welcome address, setting the tone for an inspiring day. Our President, Com. Rajath H C, in his presidential speech, called upon comrades to stand united in these challenging times, emphasising the need to protect the public sector and to strengthen our trade union movement.

The conference was officially **inaugurated** by **Com. L Chandrasekhar**, General Secretary, AISBISF, who lit the ceremonial lamp with other esteemed dignitaries. In his inaugural address, he emphasised the importance of trade union unity in countering anti-labour policies and safeguarding the interests of the working class.

The **keynote address** by **Professor R Ramakumar** from Tata Institute of Social Sciences on "Changing Labour Laws and the Banking Sector" was thought-provoking and insightful. He highlighted the implications of the recent changes made to the labour laws and the need for collective action to protect the rights of workers and preserve the integrity of the public sector.

A special address was delivered by Com. Akhil S, General Secretary, SBSU (Kerala Circle) and Senior Vice President, AISBISF. He reaffirmed our commitment towards democratic banking and strengthening of the public sector while addressing the challenges posed by privatization and corporate pressures. In a stirring appeal, the General Secretary urged all participants to strive to become exemplary trade

unionists by the end of this Silver Jubilee Year. The meeting witnessed inspiring **felicitations** from esteemed dignitaries,

1. **Com. R Sriram**, President, AISBISF
2. **Com. Pankaj Koushik**, Working President, AISBISF
3. **Com. Anzil K N**, Vice President, NCBE, and General Secretary, SIBEA
4. **Shri. Sanjeev Kumar**, Regional Manager, RBO-1, Calicut
5. **Com. Rejaneesh E J**, Deputy General Secretary, SBIOA (Kerala Circle)
6. **Com. A Jayakumar**, General Secretary, SBIPAK

Their words of encouragement and solidarity inspired everyone present to remain steadfast in our fight for workers' rights and to champion the cause of public sector.

The former central committee members who lead our mighty organisation for the last two and a half decade were honoured in the meeting. The President & General Secretary of SBSU Chennai Circle and former stalwart leaders Com. H Ganapathy, Com. D Venugopala Reddy, Com. C M Bhaskaran and Com. G Kripakaran were present in the conference to express the solidarity of our parent Union. The conference, attended by about 1800 comrades from across the state, was a true celebration of our journey of 25 years of struggle and achievement. The electrifying enthusiasm, camaraderie, and participation of young comrades and female members added to the vibrancy of the event. The meeting concluded with the vote of thanks by Com. Ajith K E, Chairman, Organising Committee.

The inaugural conference was not just a celebration but also a reaffirmation of our commitment to continuing our journey with even greater zeal. The inaugural conference of the Silver Jubilee celebrations has set the stage for a year of vibrant and purposeful activities aimed at fortifying our organisation and its legacy.

We thank all comrades, the Organising Committee, and everyone who contributed to the grand success of this inaugural conference. Comrades, we salute your unwavering commitment and dedication. Together, we shall overcome all challenges and emerge stronger than ever. Let us march forward, united and determined, upholding the values of the trade union movement and safeguard the interests of the working class.

**Long Live SBSU!**

With revolutionary greetings,



(Akhil S)  
General Secretary