

State Banks' Staff Union (Kerala Circle)

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

Reg. No. 01-36-2000

Circular No.51/23

To All Unit Secretaries



State Bank of India

Local Head Office

Poojappura

Thiruvananthapuram-695 012

Date 02.08.2023

Dear Comrade,

COM. G P RAMACHANDRAN

Com. G P Ramachandran, Dy. General Secretary (Branches), Thrissur Sub-Office and Chief Associate at RACC Mannarkkad, retired from bank's service on 31st July 2023, after an unblemished service of 40 years. Com. G P was the first Deputy General Secretary, (Branches) of Sub-Office, Thrissur. His tenure as a proud SBlian and stalwart leader of State Banks' Staff Union (Kerala Circle) is a book of reference to the coming generation of bankers and trade unionists.

Com. G P, as he is fondly called by everyone, was born in the year 1963 to Smt. Devaki Amma and Sri.A P Narayanan. His father was an employee and a trade unionist at Gwalior Rayons, Kozhikode. He is a graduate in Mathematics and holds a Master's degree in Malayalam. He joined State Bank of India as Clerk-cum-Typist at Kottathara Branch, Wayanad in the year 1983. After two years of service at Kottathara branch, he was transferred to Vaniamkulam in the year 1987. He has served our Bank in various roles at Edathanattukara (where he served 3 times at various stages of Career Progression), Kanjirapuzha, Pottassery, Mannarkkad (now Kodathipadi), RBO Palakkad and in RACC Mannarkkad.

Com G P, who rose to the occasion during the historic uprising in the timeline of State Banks' Staff Union (Chennai Circle) against the CGM Shri. K D Nayyar, assumed the office of the Assistant General Secretary of State Banks' Staff Union (Kerala Circle) Palakkad Zone, in 2011.

Com. G P Ramachandran served as an office bearer of State Banks' Staff Union (KC) with unwavering dedication and commitment. His exceptional leadership, strategic vision, and tireless efforts have significantly contributed to the betterment of our union and the welfare of our members. Being a prudent leader, who stood for the rights and unity of the working class made him an inevitable ingredient in the meetings and strike programmes of the UFBU across the State. His role during the strike actions in the Thrissur A O against the unilateral actions of the management was well noted in the history of trade union. His eloquent speeches inspired the younger generation of bankers to hold the baton of trade union and will continue to do so.

Apart from his activities inside the Circle, his interventions at the National Meetings of the AISBISF and NCBE, were also of much impact. The commitment in presenting issues in the national councils even inspired comrades from other Circles to join our stand. GP has always used his liaison with the society for the betterment of the Bank as well as our Union, which has helped in enhancing the business growth in certain areas as well as the vision of Union. Throughout his tenure, he was an inspiration for all, displaying unwavering resolve in fighting for the rights of the working class and advocating for a just and equitable society.

Com. G P, a multi-talented personality, has contributed a lot to the film industry & literature. He, as a film and television critic, paved way for a new wave in the area of film criticism. His ideas and writings are nationally acclaimed. He has been selected as the Best Film Critic of the year 2006 (President's Award-Gold Medal/Swarnakamal) in the 54th National Film Awards of India. He was a jury member of the 55th National Film Awards of India (best writing on cinema section) for the year 2007, 56th Slemani International Film Festival (Kurdistan/Iraq), Bengaluru International Film Festival. He won The Kerala State Film Awards for Best Book on Cinema in the years 1998, 2009 & 2011 respectively. He got the first *Samskarakeralam* award instituted by the Cultural Publications Department of Kerala Government for the article titled *Cinemayile Savarnaadhikaaram*. He is presently a member of the General Council of the Kerala Sahitya Akademi. He was also a General Council Member of the Kerala State Chalachithra Academy for years.

His family consists of his wife Smt. Preetha M. P., daughter Smt. Megha P. R., Son-in-Law Shri. Shiva Ganapathy, who is a photographer. They recently welcomed the newest member Kabir Chandran Hope (grandson) into their happy fold.

On this occasion, we extend our heartfelt appreciation for Com. G. P. Ramachandran's outstanding service, dedication, and contributions. We thank him for his leadership and guidance that helped our union grow and strengthen. As we part ways, we wish him a fulfilling and rewarding journey ahead in his well-deserved retirement. May his passion for cinema and writing continue to thrive and bring joy to others.

At the time of retirement he was also a Central Committee Member of NCBE, Council Member of AISBISF and DGS of NCBE (Kerala). We take this opportunity to sincerely acknowledge the great services rendered by Com. G. P Ramachandran to our mighty union and its members. State Banks' Staff Union (Kerala Circle) wishes him an active, healthy and happy superannuation.

Yours comradely



(Philip Koshy)
General Secretary

The Central Committee meeting held on 19.07.2023 decided the following Co-options / Nominations.

CO-OPTIONS

Com. Mahesh P, as Dy. General Secretary (Branches) Thrissur Module

Com. Nidhi Thomas, as Organising Secretary, Thrissur Module

Com. Sreejith K S, as Assistant General Secretary, Zone No.23

NOMINATION TO FEDERATION COUNCIL

Com. Reghu N, Dy. General Secretary (Branches)

Com. Saju K, Dy. General Secretary, Kozhikode

Com. Suresh Kumar R, Asst. General Secretary, Zone No.8

NOMINATION TO NCBE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

Com. Mahesh P, Dy. General Secretary (Branches)

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ALL INDIA STATE BANK OF INDIA STAFF FEDERATION	ZINDABAD
NATIONAL CONFEDERATION OF BANK EMPLOYEES.....	ZINDABAD
UNITED FORUM OF BANK UNIONS.....	ZINDABAD
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INQUILAB.....	ZINDABAD