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## State Banks' Staff Union (Kerala Circle)

(Affiliated to All India State Bank of India Staff Federation) Reg. No. 01-36-2000

<u>Circular No.29/24</u> To All Unit Secretaries



State Bank of India Local Head Office Poojappura Thiruvananthapuram-695 012

Dear Comrade, Date 20.09.2024

## "CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF UNITY AND STRUGGLE: THE SILVER JUBILEE OF STATE BANKS' STAFF UNION (KERALA CIRCLE)"

It is with immense pride and joy that we announce the celebration of the **Silver Jubilee of State Banks' Staff Union (Kerala Circle)** – a remarkable milestone in the history of our Union. On **2nd October 2000**, our strong and vibrant trade union for the Award Staff was established, branching out from our parent Union, State Banks' Staff Union Chennai Circle. This event marked the beginning of a new chapter for the employees of State Bank of India, Kerala Circle, setting a firm foundation for the protection of our rights and welfare. In November 2000, we officially obtained registration, giving legal recognition to our relentless efforts in fighting for the rights and dignity of the workforce.

Our union office was inaugurated on 25th November 2000 by our respected former leader, late Com. M V Alexander, whose leadership continues to inspire us. Following this, we successfully held our first General Council meeting in May 2001, which laid the foundation for the strong organisational structure we have today.

Since its formation, the State Banks' Staff Union (KC) has been at the forefront of protecting the rights and well-being of our members. Throughout the years, we have stood firm against injustices, fighting management's unilateral actions and defending the interests of workmen. Whether it was through peaceful negotiations or through agitational programs or through legal recourse, we have remained resolute in our commitment to safeguarding the rights of our members.

We have not only focused on the welfare of our members but also upheld the interests of the State Bank of India, particularly as a public sector organisation. Our Union has always believed that a strong and prosperous public sector bank is essential for the welfare of the nation, and we have supported every cause aimed at strengthening our institution.

To further enrich our movement and instil the spirit of trade unionism in future generations, we established the APG Trade Union Institute, named after our respected

former State Secretary Com. A P Gopalakrishnan. Through this institute, we have been organising seminars, meetings, open forum discussions, and educational programs to

develop trade union consciousness and leadership among our members. The Institute has played a pivotal role in shaping informed, empowered, and passionate trade unionists who are prepared to carry our struggle forward.

As we approach a historic milestone—our Silver Jubilee—the Central Committee has decided to celebrate this occasion in a grand and meaningful manner. The Silver Jubilee Celebrations of SBSU (KC) will begin in Kozhikode and conclude stupendously in Thiruvananthapuram.

The **Inaugural Conference** of our Silver Jubilee will be held on **11**<sup>th</sup> **January 2025** at **Kozhikode**. We have also planned various events, including **Seminars, Study Classes, Women's Meet, Sports Meet and Cultural Programs** at different Modules. A **State Level Women's Meet** will be organised at **Ernakulam** and a **National Seminar** will be held at **Thiruvananthapuram**.

To ensure the smooth conduct of these events, a State Level Co-ordination Committee has been formed, comprising all Module Deputy General Secretaries and Head Quarters office bearers.

The construction of our Union building is progressing steadily in phases, and we are confident that it will be completed by the middle of next year. We plan to inaugurate the building as a highlight of our Silver Jubilee celebrations.

In connection with the Silver Jubilee, **all Units are directed to hold General Body meetings** before **31**<sup>st</sup> **October 2024**. Additionally, **Unit Secretaries' meetings** will be convened in all Zones before **15**<sup>th</sup> **November 2024**.

Let us come together and make this Silver Jubilee a true celebration of our strength, unity, and solidarity!!!

Yours comradely,

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**General Secretary** 

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