

State Banks' Staff Union (Kerala Circle)

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

Reg. No. 01-36-2000

Circular No.04/21
To All Unit Secretaries



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

“ADIEU TO OUR BELOVED LEADERS”

We are passing through an unprecedented phase of life during this year also. The Covid-19 pandemic posed great hardships to us in its second wave and we have lost several comrades including our veteran leaders who spearheaded the trade union activities in our bank throughout their tenure for the benefit of our members. With deep regret we report the sad demises of the following leaders who were instrumental in building up our organization.

Com.N. KOMALDAS

Com.N.Komaldas joined the bank on 1st April 1969 at Palakkad Branch. He became the Unit Secretary of the same branch in 1972. Com.Komaldas took an active role in resisting the divisive of actions that posed the challenges of a split in the 1981 conference at Thiruvananthapuram.

Com.Komaldas had to face various vindictive actions of management because of his firm resistance against anti-employee measures adopted then. He was served memos and charge sheets in a row. He even had to bear financial losses on account of all these. But all these could not deter his determination. He was not only in the union activities but also in the welfare activities. He was the founder Secretary of Consumer Co- Operative Store at Palakkad. He was elected as the Assistant General Secretary in 1986 and as Vice President of Trivandrum Module in 1991. With the formation of Kerala Circle Union in the year 2000, he was unanimously elected as the President of the union. On the same year he became the Vice President of AISBISF. He was also elected as the General Secretary of NCBE(Kerala) in the year 2004.

He retired from bank's service on 31st May 2005. He passed away on 28th August 2021 suffering from a massive cardiac arrest at Palakkad.

Com. P. SURENDRANATH BHAS

Com.P. Surendranath Bhas was our Vice President and CWC Secretary. He joined our Trivandrum Branch in 1973. After serving as Unit Secretary and LIC Secretary in various branches and offices. He was assigned the responsibility of CWC Secretary when State Bank of India Kerala Circle was formed in the year 2000. He was also co-opted as the Vice President, Head Quarters of our Circle Union in the year 2001 and also held the position of council member in All India State Bank of India Staff Federation.

Com. Bhas was a man of dedication, who had actively participated in the organizational meetings of the union right from the SBSU (MC) Trivandrum General Council in the year 1981. He was the Chairman of the Reception Committee of the 3rd and 4th General Councils of SBSU (MC). He was also a part of the Reception Committee from the 1st General Council of the Kerala Circle Union till his retirement.

He proved his mettle as the CWC Secretary and was able to maintain a good relationship with various officers and management representatives which proved beneficial to the membership in the union. He retired from the Bank's service on 28th February 2009. Post retirement he was active in the Pensioner's Association and was the Deputy General Secretary of SBIPAK. He extended his wholehearted support to deliver the medicine to the pensioners at their doorsteps during the pandemic situation and conquered their love and affection.

We pray God to give enough strength to his dear wife, his children and to his ardent followers to bear this irreparable loss. He was affected by Covid and breathed his last on 20th May 2021 at Trivandrum.

Com. A.P. RAVEENDRAN

Com. A.P. Raveendran joined the bank on 1977 at Calicut. He was determined to fight those elements in power which threatened the unity of workmen and strained to strengthen the organization. He was co-opted as the Assistant General Secretary in 1981 in the Thiruvananthapuram Conference of SBSU (MC). Later he became the Deputy General Secretary (Branches) of the Ernakulam Sub Office in 1985.

He continued as Deputy General Secretary (Branches) at Ernakulam Sub Office of SBSU (KC) at Calicut even after the formation of SBI Kerala Circle. He was designated as DGS, Kozhikode Sub Office, when the Kozhikode Administrative Office was inaugurated on 16.11.2012. His services were also utilised at national level as the Council Member of All India State Bank of India Staff Federation and as the Central Committee member of National Confederation of Bank Employees. He was also the District Secretary of NCBE, Kozhikode. He played a crucial role in setting up of Bankmens' Club at Calicut and was very active in that.

He retired from Bank's service after putting in 35 years, 11 months and 27 days in the bank on 31st May 2013. After his retirement, he became the President of State Bank of India Contract and Casual Labours's Union.

He was very simple, humble and served the members always with a smile. He has won the heart of the entire membership. Such a great humanist is no more with us. The nature is so cruel in snatching away the precious life leaving his wife and colleagues in great distress and sorrow. In his final years he had some health issues and we lost him on 1st July 2021.

We dip our flag in respect to the departed leaders and express our condolences to the bereaved families.

Yours comradely,



(Philip Koshy)
General Secretary

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