

FEDERAL BANK RETIRED OFFICERS' FORUM (FBROF)



(An Organizational Wing of Federal Bank Officers' Association)
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To all Members

PF CASE BACK IN KERALA HIGH COURT

As reported earlier, the PF case was last heard in Hon'ble Supreme Court on 9th Jan. 2018. After hearing the Senior Counsels for all the parties (PF Organisation/Bank/FBOA/FBROF) and upon insistence by the Senior Counsel appeared for PF, the Hon'able Supreme Court ordered PF Organisation to file, within 15 days, an application before Kerala High Court, for clarity on interest applicable for delayed transfer of PF balance to the Bank. The Hon'ble Supreme Court also directed Chief Justice of Kerala High Court to constitute the same Division Bench which passed the Order dated 21/12/2016 in Writ Appeal No. 1059 of 2012 for disposal of the petition and to forward the decision of the Division Bench to Supreme Court within one month. The case is next posted at Supreme Court on 22/02/2018. Accordingly, the PF Organisation has filed the application (IA) in Kerala High Court today (22.01.2018) seeking clarifications on the following points.

- (i) Application of para 60 of the Employees Provident Fund Scheme, 1952 for the delayed payments after 30.09.1992
- (ii) the interest applicable on the refund of the delayed payment of the amount deposited towards EPF scheme subsequent to 30.09.1992 till the payment of the entire amount.
- (iii) the interest applicable on the refund of the amount deposited toward the Employees Family Pension up to 30.09.1992 and thereafter till payment of the entire amount,
- (iv) whether the employees of the Respondent Bank claim payment of pension from the trust/ appropriate body of the Respondent Bank constituted for the same or would continue to get the pension from the Appellant/Applicant with effect from 01.10.1992.

K.P.Hormis Birth Centenary Celebrations held on 18.10.2017

Detailed circular regarding the successful conduct of K.P. Hormis Centenary Celebrations held at Aluva on 18th October 2017 was sent to all members. The grand success of the mega event clearly demonstrates the love and regards of entire Federals to beloved Hormis Sir, which is still evergreen in our hearts. We could also make the Centenary Celebrations organized by the Bank on 23rd October 2017 at Mookkannur a grand success by drawing large number of Retirees from far and near.

A meeting of the Organising Committee of the Centenary Celebrations was held at FBOA Centre on 18th November 2017 and evaluated the conduct of the event. Chairman of the Committee, Shri. Tom Thomas expressed his gratitude and congratulated all the members of the Organising Committee for making the event such a mega show. The Editorial Board is working for the early publication of the book on Hormis. All our members who had close associations with Hormis Sir are requested to send

their write-ups/photographs/memoirs etc. to Sri. K.R.Mohanachandran, Executive Editor (Federal City, Karayamparambu, Angamally / email id <mohanachadrankr@gmail.com>) without further delay.

Formation of Cultural wing - “FEDERAL ARTS & CULTURAL FORUM (FACF)”

Many of our members who have proven their calibre in yester years and are active even now in Arts & Cultural activities, had expressed interest in performing some cultural programmes in connection with the K P Hormis Birth Centenary Celebrations organized on 18th October, 2017 at Aluva. Accordingly, many of our senior retirees under the initiative of veteran drama artist Sri. K A Varghese (Varghese Koikkara) came forward to present a classical Malayalam drama “**LANKA LAKSHMI**” written by renowned writer late Sri. C N. Srikandan Nair. Staging of the drama was a spectacular show and was well received by the audience. These artists have now come forward to form a cultural organization “**FEDERAL ARTS & CULTURAL FORUM (FACF)**” with **Sri. M R Dileep Kumar as Convener, Sri. K T Thomachan and Sri. P I Bose as Joint Conveners**. With the success and importance of the classic presentation of this epic drama, an invitation was received from **BEAME (Bank Employees Arts Movement Ernakulam)** to stage the drama at TDM Hall, Ernakulam. The drama was staged on 19th December, 2017. This was also well appreciated and got wide media coverage. FBROF wishes all success in the future endeavors of FACF.

Friends, let us nurture the in borne talents of our brethren in the field of Arts & cultural activities by encouraging and promoting their creations/programmes. We shall extend all support to our performing artists in all centres and shall promote such activities in which ever field they perform, true to the might of Federals.

Ongoing agitation by FBOA.

As all are aware, our parent organization FBOA is on agitation (jontly with FBEU) for the last 6 months against implementation of CTC (**grandeur pay**) in higher scales and excluding a section of officers and entire award staff from grant of ESOS. They have intensified the agitation and Dharnas, Janakeeya Conventions and Vehicle Jadhas are being organised at all major centres. We request all our members to extend all support to their action programmes

Family Meet/Tour of Areas/Zones

Family meet/tour of Bangalore, Hyderabad, Coimbatore, Kozhikode, Thrissur, Palakkad, Ernakulam and Kollam areas were held during the last four months. Family meet of Kottayam Zone (Kottayam, Pathanamthitta & Idukki Areas) will be held on 26th January 2018. Family meet of Mavelikkara and Chennai Area are sheduled for 4th February 2018 and 11th March 2018 respectively. Area Secretaries of the remaining areas are requested to organise family meets of their areas before April 2018.

Area Meetings Schedule

It was decided in the Executive Committee Meeting held on 13.01.2018 to schedule Area Meetings in all our Areas during this quarter.

Thrissur Area Meeting was held on 17th January 2018. The meeting was attended by more than 80 members. A big thanks to Zonal Secretary, Sri.Joy Sebastian and Area Secretary, Sri. Jimmy P.K for ensuring participation of almost all members of the Area.

The following Area Secretaries have also scheduled their meetings.

Name of Area	Date of Meeting	Name of Area	Date of Meeting
1. Thodupuzha	01- February 2018	9. Kollam	20-February 2018
2. Mavelikara	04-February 2018	10. Kannur	21-February 2018
3. Alappuzha	05-February 2018	11. Palakkad	22- February 2018
4. Tiruvalla	10-February 2018	12. Muvattupuzha	24-February 2018
5. Ernakulam	17-February 2018	13. Aluva	26 -February 2018
6. Chennai	18-February 2018	14. Trivandrum	4-March 2018
7. Malappuram	19-February 2018	15. Coimbatore	11-March 2018
8. Kozhikode	20-February 2018	16. Kottayam	11-March 2018

We request all the members to attend Area the meetings. Area/Zonal Secretaries are requested to issue/circulate the notice for the meeting giving the agenda also well in advance and to ensure participation of maximum members in Area Meetings. Leaders from Central Office will be attending the Area meetings.

Area/Zonal Secretaries of Bangalore, Hyderabad, Kolkata, New Delhi and Mumbai are requested to take early steps for conducting the meeting of their Area/Zone in this quarter itself.

AIBPARC/CBPRO NEWS

(i) Demand for Income Tax exemption on Pension

CBPRO has represented to Sri Arun Jaitley, Hon'ble Union Finance Minister for complete exemption from payment of income tax for pensioners and retirees to the extent of the income from pension and small saving and bank deposits.

(ii) Implementation of Record note signed along with 10th Bi-partite Settlement

CBPRO has written to convener UFBU for taking up with IBA for implementation of the items covered in the Record Note dt.25.05.2015 signed along with 10th Bi-partite Settlement Viz; (a) Revision of Family Pension (b) 100% DA for basic pension (c) Up gradation of basic pension (d) Periodic revision of pension along with wage revision of serving employees etc.

(iii) Joint Parliamentary Committee on FRDI Bill

AIBPARC has sent a detailed representation to the **Director, Lok Sabha Secretariat** on the concerns of pensioners and retirees regarding the “**BAIL – IN**” clause extended to the failing financial institution in the FRDI Bill. It is represented that provisions of Bail - in clause shall not be made applicable for the balance lying in SB and other deposits. The balance lying in deposit accounts should be repaid to the depositor in full and under no circumstances portion of the deposit should be converted into the share / debenture etc. CBPRO has also represented to the Union Finance Minister on the concerns of depositors on the provisions of the FRDI Bill.

We will keep you informed of all the further developments at national level.

AIBPARC Trivandrum District Convention on 4th March 2018

It is proposed to hold the Trivandrum District Convention of AIBPARC on 4th March 2018. The convention will be addressed by the national leaders of AIBPARC. Zonal Secretary and Area Secretary of

Trivandrum are requested to extend all support and co-operation to the State and Trivandrum District leadership of AIBPARC for the successful conduct of convention and to ensure participation of all our members in the district convention.

AIBPARC Governing Council Meeting on 5th March , 2018 at Trivandrum

Our state committee is hosting the next meeting of the National Governing Council (Working Committee) of AIBPARC on 5th March 2018 at Trivandrum. Your General Secretary and Vice President Sri. Ravindran K are members of the council. The council will discuss in detail about the progress in the ongoing bi-partite talks regarding our major demands - Family Pension, Updation of Pension, 100% DA, Medical Insurance Premium etc. etc.

Obituaries



(i) Geetha Scaria (PF 2218)

Geetha Scaria joined the Bank in 1977 and retired in 2015. She was sick for the past two years and breathed her last on 10/08/2017. She is survived by husband Sri. Baby Abraham (Retd. DGM of the bank and our member) and 3 daughters.



(ii) Viswanathan V (PF 1866)

He was Native of Chennai. He joined the bank in 1977 and retired in 2009. He breathed his last on 15/08/2017. He is survived by wife Smt. Lalitha and 2 children.



(iii) Rajan George (PF 1265)

He was Native of Pandalam. He joined the Bank in 1975 and took early retirement in 2002. He breathed his last on 16/10/2017. He is survived by wife Smt. Leela George and 2 children.

(iv) Raman Thambi K (PF 202)

He was Native of Trivandrum. He retired in 1994 and breathed his last on 19/08/2017.

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'George C Chacko'.

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General Secretary

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