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Circular No.: 2013/45

Dear Comrade,

Dated: 06.11.2013

We reproduce, hereunder, Circular No. 2013/57 dated 06.11.2013 issued by General Secretary, AIBOC for your information and circulation among all members.

QUOTE:

ADOPTION OF UNIFORM HOLIDAY CALENDER UNDER CHEQUE TRUNCATION SYSTEM (CTS)

Please refer to the discussion held in the 71st Executive Committee meeting of our Confederation on the captioned subject wherein it was decided that the issue should be taken up immediately with IBA/RBI to ensure that inconvenience caused to Bank employees due to calling them on holidays after adoption of uniform holiday calendar could be mitigated. The undersigned had informed the house that the CTS system has been working in Delhi-NCR without any difficulty as the blocking option for states observing holidays under N.I.Act, was being used by the banks. The issue was immediately discussed with the convener UFBU on the very next day and a letter No. UFBU/IBA/2013/18 was sent to the Chief Executive of Indian Banks' Association on 3rd October, 2013.

The above issue was discussed on 11/10/2013 during Bipartite Talks with IBA (please refer to our circular No. 2013/47 dated 12/10/2013 in this regard). We advised you that the IBA had appreciated the difficulties of the employees/officers on reasons adduced by the UFBU and assured to take up the matter with authorities concerned.

We are pleased to inform you that IBA Managing Committee, at its meeting held on 29th October, 2013, after considering the representations of the Associations/Unions and after deliberations on the issue, has decided that banks may approach the President of the Clearing House at CTS locations for blocking the presentation drawn on bank branches in the state(s) which is/are observing holiday. IBA has already sent a communication Ref. PS & BT/CTS/8184 dated 31st October, 2013 to the Chief Executives of Member Banks to this effect (copy enclosed). The communication once again clarified that "Blockage" function in the CTS System has been designed to handle different state holidays.

We convey our sincere thanks to Indian Banks' Association for being considerate to the genuine problem faced by the officers/employees in the Banks. We request all our affiliates to ensure that the option of 'BLOCKAGE' is exercised by their respective Banks for the states who are observing holidays on a particular day.

With warm greetings,

Yours comradely,

Sd/-(HARVINDER SINGH) GENERAL SECRETARY

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With comradely greetings,

Yours faithfully,

(HARVINDER SINGH) GENERAL SECRETARY