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Dear Comrades,

## FIGHTING COMRADES OF DBOO - UNDETERRED BY NO SALARIES NATION WIDE ATTENTION AND SUPPORT

We reproduce, hereunder, the contents of the Circular No. 2015/40 of date, on the captioned subject issued by Com. Harvinder Singh, General Secretary, AIBOC for your information and circulation among the members.

**QUOTE:** "Our Red salutation to the fighting comrades of DBOO and to all those who are extending their support to the agitating members in their just struggle. The cause of relentless struggle of DBOO has received nation-wide public attention and support. The industrial dispute issue in Dhanlaxmi Bank has become an issue of the political and public concern on account of gross injustice done by the Dhanlaxmi Bank Management.

On 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2015, the 16<sup>th</sup> day of indefinite strike, a conglomeration of MLAs and MPs, cutting across political ideologies, came together at the Samarapandal, Thrissur to address the gathering and expressed their solidarity to the striking comrades of DBOO in no uncertain terms.



The distinguished speakers in one voice condemned the Dhanlaxmi Bank Management's arrogance of not opting for a negotiated settlement with the DBOO. "The termination of the services of P V Mohanan is a travesty of justice and that order has to be revoked immediately" declared the speakers. Emotions of the audience ran high whenever the MLAs, highlighted the injustice meted out to their leader. The exhortations of the speakers to fight against injustice were greeted with thundering applause.

CPI (M) State Secretariat has issued a proclamation that DLB Management should agree for a settlement with DBOO and the Management's act of termination of Com. P.V. Mohanan is clearly against the Trade Union. They have requested all bank employees and workers from other fields to join DBOO with their struggle. The other leaders and eminent personalities who pledged support to the strike included Sri Valsan (Congress S), Sri Rajan (State Committee member KSTA), Com. Rajendra Prasad (CBOA), Com. Antony Johnson (FBOA), Com. Roy (IOBOA).

Each passing day is witnessing the unstoppable influx of supporters to the strike venue not only in Thrissur but at other centers as well. Leading social and political leaders, the intelligentsia and the common man alike have been offering their support to the cause of the strike In the Capital city of Delhi, Mumbai, Hyderabad, Bangalore, Chennai, Coimbatore, Angamaly, Kozhikode, Kanjangad, Alapuzha, Kollam and Trivandrum Dharnas have successfully been conducted. All State Committees of the Confederation are extending full support and participating in the agitational programmes. Special mention need to be made for the efforts made by the Tamilnadu, W. Bengal and Karnataka Units with Kerala State remaining in the fore front.

We thankfully acknowledge the instantaneous support extended by veteran political leaders like Com. V.S. Achuthanandan (opposition leader of Kerala), Sri V.M. Sudheeran (Congress President, Kerala) and Dr. Thomas Issac (Ex-Finance Minister, Kerala) through press releases demanding the cancellation of the termination order of Com. P.V. Mohanan. Kerala Union of Working Journalists also came out with the press release in support of case. The news got wide coverage in 'The Hindu' as well.

Com Paul Mundadan Dy. General Secretary, AIBOC and General Secretary, AIPSBOF & FBOA also met Kerala Chief Minister Mr. Oommen Chandy yesterday seeking his urgent intervention in the matter and he also contacted Shri Ramesh Chennithala. They have assured to intervene immediately to resolve the issue. He is also in process of contacting few more Ministers from the State to exert maximum pressure on the Management.

Apart from this, the President & General Secretary of the Confederation are reaching Thrissur tomorrow i.e. 30.06.2015 to meet the Management, to follow the conciliation route as well. Comrades, though it will be our endeavour to resolve the issue amicably but we advise our comrades not to relent on the struggle and remain in full preparedness in case the Management is not willing to remove its blind folds of injustice in the interest of the Institution and follow a path which is not detrimental to the institution and the staff! In case Management remains adamant on its callous attitude, we will have to intensify our struggle and would give a call to observe two days all Bank Strike in Kerala State and one day All India Strike at a short notice. "IF WE CANNOT MAKE THEM SEE THE LIGHT, WE CAN MAKE THEM FEEL THE HEAT !!" UNOUOTE

With revolutionary greetings,

Comradely yours,

(HARVINDER SINGH)

**GENERAL SECRETARY** 

**OUR UNITY... LONG LIVE!**