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Dear Comrades,

## **OUR LONG PENDING DEMAND OF FIVE DAYS' BANKING**

We reproduce, hereunder, the contents of Circular No. 2017/02 dated 17.01.2017, on the captioned subject issued by Com. Harvinder Singh, General Secretary, AIBOC for your information & circulation.

**QUOTE:** "Members are aware that the demand of five days' banking which was taken up by our Organisation very seriously during the 10<sup>th</sup> Bipartite Settlement was partially met by getting two Saturdays off. This achievement could be clinched with the efforts of AIBOC on the last day of negotiations i.e. on the day of signing of MOU on 23.02.2015, with the intervention of Smt. Arundhati Bhattacharya and Smt. V.R.Iyer, Chairpersons of State Bank of India and Bank of India, respectively. An assurance was given by both these compassionate Executives that if the system of two Saturdays off works smoothly and without any trouble, our demand of five days' banking will be supported by them also.

During the period after the X<sup>th</sup> Bipartite Settlement also, we continued to pursue this demand of five days' banking through IBA and all possible channels. The latest demonetization drive implementation has put the Bank employees and Officers under lot of stress and need for five days' banking was all the more felt. We, in the banking industry, have proved that nothing is impossible for us including implementation of voluminous and strenuous job like demonetisation. Considering this as the right opportunity, we have decided to revive this demand passionately. In this endeavor, we have written a letter to Smt. Arundhati Bhattacharya, the Chairperson of SBI and Senior Vice Chairman of IBA, urging her to support and pursue this very important issue of ours. **We enclose herewith our letter Ref No. 2017/07 dated 17.01.2017 for your perusal and records.** We shall keep you apprised of the developments."

**UNQUOTE**

With greetings,

Yours comradely,

(HARVINDER SINGH)  
**GENERAL SECRETARY**