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<u>Circular # 01:2014</u>

2nd January 2014

All Affiliates/ Members (Please re-circulate)

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2014

ALL INDIA BANK STRIKE ON 20^{TH} & 21^{ST} JANUARY, 2014 UFRRBU DECIDES TO BE PART OF STRIKE ON THE COMMON ISSUES

In line with the decision of UFBU communicated vide Circular No: 2013/13 dated 24th December, 2013, United Forum of RRB Unions decided to join the strike from 6:00 am of 20th Jan. to 6:00 am of 22nd Jan. 2014 on the common issues as follows:

- IMMEDIATE WAGE REVISION
- TO STOP BANKING REFORMS

UFRRBU is issuing notice to Govt. of India, Ministry of Finance, Dept. of Financial Services as well as Chairmen of RRBs. No separates strike notice need to be issued by any affiliate. The programme as below should be observed in collaboration with constituents of UFBU.

All India RRB Strike on 20th & 21st January 2014 PROGRAMMES:

06-01-2014	Mass Demonstrations before HO of all RRBs		
On or before	Submission of Memorandum by all employees demanding		
10-01-2014	immediate wage revision to Dr. Manmohan Singh,		
	Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Shri P. Chidambaram,		
	Hon'ble Minister of Finance, Government of India and the		
	Chairman, Indian Banks' Association		
10/11-01-2014	Rallies, processions at all centres		
17-01-2014	Mass Demonstrations, rallies, processions at all centres		
17-01-2014	Badge Wearing		
onwards			
20-01-2014 - 6:00	48 hours banks strike in all banks all over the country		
A.M. TO 22-01-			
2014 - 6:00 A.M.			



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Format of Memorandum:

Annexure 1

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To Dr. Manmohan Singh, Hon'ble Prime Minister, Government of India, NEW DELHI.

We, the employees and officers working in

To Shri P. Chidambaram, Hon'ble Minister of Finance, Government of India, NEW DELHI. To
The Chairman,
Indian Banks' Association,
World Trade Centre Complex,
Centre-1, 6th Floor,
Cuffe Parade, MUMBAL

(Name of the Bank) submit as under:

Respected Sir,

Branch) of

MEMORANDUM

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Our wages are due for revision from 01.11.2012 as the previous wage settlement
signed between the Indian Banks' Association (IBA) and the Workmen Unions &
Officers' Associations has expired on 31-10-2012. In order to negotiate the revision
of the wages and service conditions of bank employees and officers, all the Unions
under the banner of United Forum of Bank Unions (UFBU) have submitted
common charter of demands in October, 2012. The formal negotiations have
started in February, 2013 and till now only 5 rounds of discussions have taken
place with IBA. Except agreeing to the date of effect of wage revision and merger of
Dearness Allowance with Basic Pay at 4440 CPI, no significant improvement is
made in the wage negotiations. Despite the repeated requests of UFBU, IBA has

Further, on receipt of strike notice from UFBU, IBA came with a very meager offer of 5% increase in the pay slip components which was not at all acceptable to unions. Every effort was made by UFBU with IBA for substantial increase in the offer of increase. But, no improvement in the offer was made by IBA. In the situation, the one day All India Strike on the 18th December 2013 became inevitable.

not come out with their offer of increase on the demands raised by the Unions.



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It will be appreciated that the alarming and unabated price rise seriously eroded the income of the employees and hence the wage revision has become more important. The Consumer Price Index has gone up by almost 2400 points under (1960=100) Index series since November, 2007. Hence wage revision to catch up with the high inflation and price rise has become an urgent necessity.

Similarly, the workload in the bank branches has gone up substantially due to increase in total volume of business and also due to non-provision of adequate staff and officers in the branches. Though we hail and welcome the decision of Government for financial inclusion, disbursement of financial assistance/subsidies of the Government through Banks linking Aadhar Cards and implementation of schemes under financial inclusion have tremendously increased the work load. Employees and officers are working under a lot of stress and strain. The job profile of the staff has also undergone a change and all these require to be properly remunerated with adequate increase in wages.

Hence, we seek your kind intervention towards early settlement of wage revision and shall be glad if you please arrange to expedite the negotiations between IBA and UFBU in a time-bound manner and conclude the settlement at the earliest.

Thanking you, Yours sincerely,

Sl.No.	Name	Designation	Signature





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Please note that:

- a. Since the issue involved is wage revision for all sections of employees and officers, all employees and officers including those on probation should participate in the strike.
- b. All our affiliates to suitably clarify to those who would retire from Bank service in the next few months to also to take part in the strike since, as per IBA guidelines/pension Regulations, there would be no loss to such employees in calculation of their pension entitlement and that wage revision would benefit all of them..

Comrades, while it would be our endeavour to resolve the demands through mutual discussions, when the response from the IBA and the Government is not positive and satisfactory, there is no other alternative than to carry forward our struggle. Hence all our unions and members are requested to further cement our unity and march on to implement the programmes.

We call upon all our Affiliates/ State Units and members to implement the call of 48 hours strike and make it a grand success so that our anger, anguish and resentment against the illogical, unfair and arbitrary offer of the IBA is expressed. We also request our members to participate in all the agitational programmes prior to strike in large numbers.

With greetings,

(S.K. Bhattacharjee)
GENERAL SECRETARY

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