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All Affiliates/ Members
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FORCIBLE IMPOSITION OF AADHAR ENROLMENT ON BANKERS - AIBOC CALLS FOR BOYCOTT OF THE WORK

We reproduce hereunder the text of All India Bank Officers' Confederation Circular No. 25 dated 19th May, 2018.

QUOTE

Members' attention is called towards our earlier circulars communicating AIBOC letters to IBA and DFS on the subject. You are aware that AIBOC has been opposing the unilateral imposition of Aadhaar Enrollment work on the bank workforce as the same is totally a non- banking activity. In the 88th Executive Committee Meeting of AIBOC held at Port Blair on 10th May, it has been unanimously decided to oppose the Government move to thrust the Aadhaar Enrollment work on the bank officers. AIBOC has also demanded that the subject work be allotted to the retired bank employees and officers. Accordingly, we have sent a communication to the DFS, MoF which is enclosed herewith for your information.

We call upon all our members to stand united and not to involve in Aadhaar Enrollment work. Similarly, the affiliates shall also write a letter to their respective managements informing AIBOC's call.

UNQUOTE

With greetings,

(S.K. Bhattacharjee)
GENERAL SECRETARY

Text of Letter No: AIBOC/2018/33 dated 19.05.2018

The Secretary,
Department of Financial Services,
Ministry of Finance,
NEW DELHI

Dear Sir,

**Sub: Aadhaar Enrolment Work Thrust on the Employees of PSBs.
AIBOC's Decision to Boycott the Enrolment Work**

We invite your attention towards our letter No. AIBOC/2017/61 dated 21/10/2017 addressed by us to you on the subject. We had also addressed a letter to IBA (Letter No. AIBOC/2018/26 dated 12th April 2018) copy of which is enclosed herewith. It may also be recalled that IBA too was not well convinced of the decision of the UIDAI and DFS and had accordingly, written to them to reconsider the instructions given. As informed already, the Aadhaar Enrolment work is straining the manpower and financial resources of the Public Sector Banks for a non- banking activity and AIBOC had been opposing the move since the beginning.

The recently held Executive Committee of the Confederation (at Port Blair on 10th May, 2018) again discussed on the subject issue. The EC was unanimous in its view that the subject work shall not be imposed on the Public Sector Banks for the following reasons:

- a) Most of the PSBs are presently passing through a strenuous journey in the industry caused by unabated increase in NPAs – more specifically from the corporates, negative impact of Prompt Corrective Actions, stipulated by RBI, lack of business growth as experienced by several banks and also serious manpower shortage in almost all the banks. Banks are also forced to invest in infra-structure and space for the subject work which is apparently avoidable financial burden to PSBs.
- b) The sole intention of the Government appears to be only finding scapegoats by fixing accountability in case of erroneous and accidental issuance of Aadhaar Cards to ineligible individuals for which the bank officers come as a very handy and easy target. This is very insulting to the community of bank officers.
- c) When substantial enrollment work is already accomplished by the assigned agencies in the private sector (as claimed by a few Government agencies), the sudden decision of the UIDAI/DFS to load the enrollment work to bank employees does not appear to be logical.

- d) The UIDAI is unwilling to permit even the retired employees and officers of the banks to conduct this work which appears suspect of its intentions towards serving workforce of the PSBs.

Accordingly, the Executive Committee has unanimously decided to call upon the members not to undertake the Aadhaar Enrolment work. We have also communicated the members of AIBOC not to undertake the subject work.

It is suggested that the same may be entrusted to retired employees/officers of the PSBs, with suitable checks and cautions. We request you to direct the concerned to act accordingly. We are also willing to call on you for discussions, necessary if any, on the subject.

Thanking you,
Yours faithfully,

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GENERAL SECRETARY

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1. The Governor,
Reserve Bank of India,
MUMBAI
2. The Chairperson,
Indian Bank's Association,
MUMBAI