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**Circular No. 8 of 2017-20 Dated 27th March 2018**

**Dear Members,**

We give below the copy of letters sent by C.N.Prasad, G.Sombabu and P.D.Vaidya, Conveners, Coordination of eAssociate Retirees.

1. **Copy of letter addressed to The Chairman, State Bank of**

 **India,Mumbai.**

Respected Sir,

**Thanks, a Million for your decision**

“On behalf of over 50,000 retirees of eAssociate Banks, we immensely Thank you for your well considered decision of introducing Medical Assistance Scheme through Staff Welfare Fund.  Under your leadership, this decision would certainly help Pensioners of the Bank to a large extent.  This would even prevent many of the retirees facing penury on account of huge amount of medical expenditure.  Many staff welfare benefits which were available in eAssociate Banks have been discontinued, understandably.  But, this benefit would certainly, bring in solace. Thank you and every one of those who are instrumental in introduction of this Scheme.

We once again request your kind audience to place some of  problems faced by eAssociate Bank Retirees’ post merger. “

1. **Copy of letter addressed to theThe Chairman,State Bank of India, Mumba**

Respected Sir,

 **Extension of Pension option to those Compulsorily Retired Employees who were Provident Fund optees**

“Many of employees including Officers had opted for Provident Fund Benefit, when Pension option was extended during 1995/96. Most of them were allowed to opt for pension when another option to opt for Pension was made available to them in the year 2010 in terms of Joint Note/Bipartite Settlement dated 27.4.2010.  But, those who retired Compulsorily were not allowed to opt for Pension.

We are pleased to inform you that the Indian Banks Association has issued Circular extending option to these retirees in terms of Joint Note/Bipartite Settlement dated 27.4.2010.  We are also attaching a copy of the Circular No.HR&IR/CIR/G2/BRK/4684 dated 13th March, 2018 of Indian Banks’ Association for your immediate reference.

 We request you to kindly extend this benefit in terms of Joint Note/Bipartite Settlement dated 27.04.2010 to all eligible retirees of eAssociate Banks.

We once again request your kind audience to place some of our problems faced by eAssociate Bank Retirees’ post merger. “

1. **Copy of letter sent to General Secretary, Federation of State Bank of India Pensioners, Hyderabad**

Dear Sir,

“There are 10 Retiree Organizations in  E-Associate Banks and were earlier provided with structured arrangement for Bipartite discussions at each bank level.  Since eleven months a state of confusion exists and we have been facing very many hardships and differentiation like withholding of existing welfare measures, inadequate medical facilities etc. Our Pension Scheme, medical and other Provident Fund Based Schemes are entirely different when compared to those obtaining in State Bank of India.

Thinking that the individual Retiree Organization to approach Management separately appears inconvenient and most of the issues among eAssociate Bank retirees are common,  we have organized ourselves into a coordination body known by name "Coordination of E Associate Banks' Retiree Organizations" to represent all the pensioners in the seven E Associate Banks.

Our membership is around 50,000 spread over different parts of our country. We earnestly need the support of Federation of State Bank of India Pensioners Association. We shall be glad if you could kindly advise Pensioners' Associations at LHOs to assist E Associate Banks' Pensioners’ Organisations when they approach. Hence we request you to help us in the event of need and we assure  you of our unstinted support and you can count on our membership as your strength for the cause of the retirees as we are all in the purview of SBI Management.”

Regards to all

Yours sincerely,

(B.C.Bassi)

General Secretary