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To All Affiliates/Office Bearers/CC/GC Members

Dear Comrades,

Agitation Programme against amalgamation

We are well aware that the Alternative Mechanism of the Finance Ministry accorded in-principal approval for the amalgamation of three public sector banks viz. Bank of Baroda, Vijaya Bank and Dena Bank on 17th September 2018. Since then the bank employees and officers observed protest demonstrations on three different dates throughout the country at the call of UFBU. In the mean time the Central Cabinet has approved the amalgamation process. Necessary gazette notification has already been made. Observing the stubborn attitude of the Govt. of India one day countrywide bank strike was successfully held on 26th December 2018.

The Government, totally disregarding the opposition of the bank employees and officers seem to be desperate to move forward with their agenda. The UFBU in its meeting held at Mumbai on 17-1-2019 discussed the issue and in the prevailing situation decided to continue protest action and accordingly the following programme have been finalised.

1. On behalf of UFBU, letters will be addressed to the Prime Minister, the Finance Minister and the Governor of RBI seeking review of the decision.
2. To address letters to Members of Parliament for taking up the issue in the ensuing Session of the Parliament.
3. To address letters to various political parties seeking their support.
4. To hold demonstrations in all State Capitals and other major cities/ towns on 06.02.2019, 13.02.2019, 20.02.2019 and 27.02.2019.
5. To hold demonstration before Parliament on 07.02.2019 at Delhi.

Comrades, we are opposed to any sort of merger whatever be the nomenclature used by the Government. In the recently concluded 10th National Conference of our Federation, the stand taken by us was approved by the Delegates and Observers. It was reiterated that we must not consider the decision of Alternative Mechanism a fait accompli; rather we must mobilize all sections of employees as well as general people against the sinister move of the Govt. of India. Hence, we call upon all our members to take necessary endeavour for the success of the programme taken by UFBU.

With greetings,

Yours comradely,

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General Secretary