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SPECIAL CIRCULAR

COM. SASIKUMAR DEPUTY GENERAL SECRETARY (CHENNAI NORTH)



"The success of every woman should be the inspiration to another. We should raise each other up. Make sure you're very courageous: be strong, be extremely kind and above all be humble" - SERENA WILLIAMS

Com. Sasi Kumar, Deputy General Secretary, Chennai North, relinquished her position in the recently held 38th General Council of our Union, due to her impending retirement from the Bank on 31.12.2021, after completing nearly 40 years of unblemished service.

Com. Sasi joined our Bank in the year 1982 at Mahalingapuram Branch where she worked for nearly two decades. She mastered all the seatwork and was an asset to the Bank wherever she worked. Though she completed CAIIB in 1985 itself, she chose not to opt for officer promotion. She was transferred to Chetpet Branch in 2002 as Senior Associate and in 2006 to Egmore as Special Associate, where she worked for nearly five years. She received "Best Employee Award" in 2008 for her excellent performance at Egmore branch. She was then transferred back to Mahalingapuram Branch in 2010 under Five Year Policy and later in 2015, as Chief Associate to SME Siruthozhil Branch, Chennai, wherefrom she is retiring now.

Com. Sasi had been a Union loyalist and activist ever since her early days in the Bank and it made her the Unit Secretary of Egmore branch in 2008. She became the Unit Secretary at Mahalingapuram branch also in 2010 and held the position till 2015. She transformed herself into a vibrant, uncompromising and a disciplined leader and was in the forefront in all Union activities. Having observed her matured leadership qualities and negotiating skills, our leaders brought her into the Central Committee as the first ever lady Assistant General Secretary in February 2015. Through her frequent branch visits, she attended to the grievances of the members and strove hard to resolve them. She became the first lady Module Deputy General Secretary in the General Council held in June 2019. In recognition of her untiring services to the Union and membership, Com. Sasi was nominated as NCBE Central Committee member in March 2020 and Council member of our Federation in August 2021.

As a true team leader, she played a vital role in hosting Women's Day celebrations on behalf of our Union in 2020 and 2021 in Chennai with eminent women personalities as guests of honour. She is bold and straightforward and would meticulously plan and accomplish any task entrusted to her by the leadership. Her contribution in compiling the book "Sword & Shield of our Great Edifice", a compilation of Special Circulars which were released to honour the retiring Office Bearers, was immense and praiseworthy. By deftly handling Disciplinary Proceeding cases, she has saved many of our members from punishment.

Com. Sasi was always empathetic towards fellow human beings and she made a difference in the lives of many. During the Covid-19 pandemic period, her selfless services to the membership and the stellar role played by her in liaisoning between our staff members and hospitals are highly commendable. It needs a special mention that during the second wave of Covid when our veteran leader, towering personality, Com. T.V. Loganathan was Corona-infected, she, under the guidance of the undersigned took marathon efforts for nearly 23 long hours to get him admitted in the hospital for treatment. This gesture of hers speaks volumes of her innate goodness.

Women are negating the myth that they are weaker side, through strong, bold and successful women like Com. Sasi. She is certainly a role model for our aspiring lady comrades to serve, lead and take forward our Organisation in the years to come.

At the domestic front, Com. Sasi leads a contented life. Her spouse, Shri. N. Kumar is a retiree from Chennai Port Trust. Their only daughter, Smt. Swathi Kumar is a Senior Mobile Developer in Shortcut AB, Sweden and their son-in-law, Shri. Ragavendran Krishnan is a software Engineer in Telia AB, Sweden. She is blessed with a grandson, Master. Vishwa Ragavendran who is in Year-3 at British International School, Stockholm.

On the eve of her retirement, State Banks' Staff Union (CC) expresses its gratitude to Com. Sasi Kumar for her unflinching loyalty and contributions to the Organisation and wishes her a peaceful retired life with robust health and happiness.

Long Live !! Com. Sasi Kumar Long Live !!

(G. KRIPAKARAN)
GENERAL SECRETARY

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