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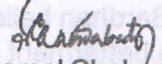
To All Members

Dear Comrades,

Reproduced hereunder the full text of Circular No. 14/2019 dated 25.03.2019, issued by Bank Employees' Federation of India, for your information.

With warm greetings,

Yours comradely,


(Shyamal Chakraborty)
Joint Secretary

Text of BEFI's Circular No. 14/2019 dated 25.03.2019

COMRADE SANTI BARDHAN IS NO MORE

Com. Santi Bardhan, our Bardhan da, doyen of the bank employees movement is no more. He breathed his last this morning at 10 AM at his residence in Hooghly District in West Bengal. He was suffering from illness for quite some time. He was 87 and left behind his two sons and grand children. He lost his wife and only daughter long ago. His eyes was donated today and his body is to be handed over for the cause of medical science tomorrow.

Bardhan da was born on 1st Nov 1932 in Tripura. He joined Union Bank of India in 1956 when it was under private sector and superannuated, in 1992. Before joining the Bank, he was a Sales Manager in Remington, a renowned Typewriter manufacturing company of yesteryears. Since joining the Bank, Com. Bardhan associated himself in uniting the employees against management's offensives.

Com Bardhan was one of the founders of the All India Union Bank Employees Federation (AIUBEF). He was elected as a Vice President from its 1st Conference in 1959. In the 2nd Conference held in Mumbai in 1963, Com Bardhan was elected General Secretary and continued for 37 long years till its Jamshedpur Conference in 2000 where he was elected as the President of AIUBEF. Later he was elected Adviser and continued in that position till his death. Com Bardhan was the first Workman Director in the Board of Directors of Union Bank and nicely performed in that capacity for 13 years, from 1972 to 1985.

He was the President of Bank Employees Federation (West Bengal) from 1993 to

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1999. Bardhan da was elected as Vice President of Bank Employees Federation of India from its 4th and 7th Conference in 1994 and 2007 respectively. He was elected as General Secretary of BEFI from 5th Conference in 1999 and continued till 2007. He was an Advisor of BEFI from 2011 till 10th Conference at Thiruvananthapuram.

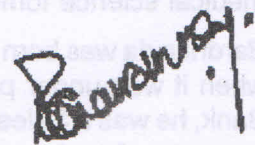
Com Bardhan led the bank employees' movement for more than six decades. All along he remained uncompromising in regard to the issues of the employees. He always took all possible initiatives for the advancement of joint movement in the banking industry. Bardhan da played important role during the Bipartite Negotiations with IBA. He was an expert in Disciplinary cases and saved many victimized employees from capital punishment.

Bardhan da lived his life in simplicity. He had the ability of attracting common employees to him. He was a good orator and a man of versatile characteristics. He wrote books on drama and poetry. He was a good sitar player.

Com Bardhan believed in Marxist philosophy and associated himself in the struggle for the betterment of the toiling masses. He was a member of the Communist Party of India (Marxist) till his death. With the demise of Com Santi Bardhan the bank employees movement as well as the democratic movement suffered a colossal loss which is very difficult to fill in. We dip our banner in respectful homage to the fond memories of our beloved Bardhan da. We express our deep condolences to the bereaved members of his family.

LONG LIVE COM SANTI BARDHAN

COM SANTI BARDHAN AMAR RAHE



(Debasish Basu Chaudhury)
General Secretary