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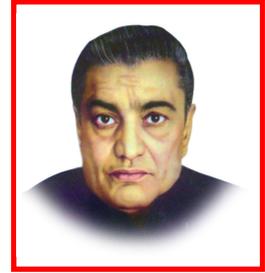
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**TO ALL OFFICE BEARERS, STATE FEDERATIONS AND
ALL INDIA BANKWISE ORGANISATIONS**

Dear Comrades,

A LEADER TO REMEMBER – Com H L PARVANA - A DAY TO REMEMBER - 18TH APRIL

In the long history of AIBEA, 18th April is a day to remember. It is on this day, 40 years ago, in 1975, that we lost our jewel leader Com. H L Parvana, then Secretary of AIBEA. He was a rare and special leader who dedicated his entire life for the cause of AIBEA, for the cause of the trade union movement and for the cause of the working masses. For us in AIBEA, Com. Parvana is synonym with sacrifice. To devote his entire time for the AIBEA, he refused to marry and remained a bachelor. In working for our movement, he neglected his personal life and health. He worked tirelessly for building up a strong AIBEA.



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In the process, his health was badly affected and he died at a very young age of 52. Today is the 40th death anniversary of this unique leader of AIBEA. The following paragraph written by the doyen of AIBEA and then General Secretary of AIBEA Com. Prabhat Kar in the Report to the 18th Conference held at Amritsar in 1976 gives the picture about the qualities of Com Parvana. Truly, Com. Parvana was rare and unique.

"I am placing this report in a Conference where Com. Parvana is not present. For me, this situation is almost unbelievable. Days in and days out, throughout all these years he was a comrade who helped me in discharging my responsibilities. He was the life and soul of the AIBEA centre. His dedication to the cause and thoroughness of minutest details are unparalleled. In every dimension of work of AIBEA, he was indispensable. In movement, in agitation, in campaign, in negotiations, in settling differences and solving problems his unique contribution was visible. As an agitator, organiser, as a leader conversant with every sphere of Trade Union movement, his imprint was distinct. He was a comrade with clarity, with vision and a comrade who never knew tiredness. It is almost impossible to think of Central Office of AIBEA minus Com. Parvana. His amiable disposition brought everybody near him and he became the closest friend, philosopher and guide of each and every bank employee. He was a man of the masses. He was a man of the Trade Union movement. He was a leader of the working class. He was a comrade who cannot be replaced. The movement is indebted to him which cannot be repaid. I only wish to put on record our great gratitude for his able, mature advice, dedicated service and unparalleled comradeship manifested all the years he lived."

Com. Parvana will continue to inspire us forever.

Yours Comradely,

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GENERAL SECRETARY**