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60th Foundation Day Diamond Jubilee Celebration

As part of the 60th Foundation Day celebrations, a special Elders Meet was organized in recognition of the hard work, sacrifice, and tireless efforts of our elders who built this Association to its present strength and stature.

The program commenced with a free medical camp, where essential health check-ups were conducted for needy members. Doctors offered valuable health-conscious advice, and a display of medical equipment useful for elderly members was arranged at the venue.

The formal function began with a welcome address by Com. J. Ravikumar, Regional Secretary, Chennai Module I. He expressed his happiness in welcoming the dedicated elders and visionary leaders, and conveyed his joy in receiving the former office bearers under whose stewardship the Association had reached greater heights.

Com. Nithish A.R. Singh, President, SBIOA CC, presided over the function and delivered the Presidential Address. In his address, he warmly praised the elders for their dedication and commitment in shaping this mighty Association. He also recalled the glorious history of the organization since its inception in 1965, and underlined the invaluable role of the pioneers in laying a strong foundation for its growth.

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The program was further graced by the presence of Chief Guest, Com. Sekaran, President of AIBOC & General Secretary of AIBOA.

In his special address, Com. Sekaran lauded the elders for their sacrifices and visionary contributions, emphasizing that it was their relentless efforts which ignited a movement that led to a revolution across the entire banking sector.

He also praised the landmark housing project initiated by SBIOA CC at Mambakkam, describing it as the largest housing project in India undertaken for the welfare of members. He expressed his admiration for the scale and vision of this initiative, which reflects the Association's commitment to the well-being of its members.



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Com. Sekaran further shared that he has personally witnessed the vibrant activities of this Association for over 25 years, and expressed his pride in seeing it grow stronger with each passing year.

Adding further inspiration, Poet Mr. Arul Prakash delivered a thought-provoking message. He highlighted the pivotal role of SBI in the progress of our nation and narrated short stories to emphasize the importance of leading a stress-free and happy life



More than 450 members participated in the meeting with great enthusiasm. The gathering provided members a joyful opportunity to reconnect with old friends and rejuvenate their spirits.



The member-centric General Secretary of SBIOA CC, Com. A. Senthil Ramesh, before delivering his address, honored the former office bearers by presenting them with a shawl and memento as a token of gratitude for their selfless service.



In his speech, he reaffirmed that this mighty Association has been built brick by brick, under the vision of farsighted leaders and the courage and solidarity of its members. He recalled the pioneering initiatives of the elders, such as the Educational Trust, the Co-operative Thrift & Credit Society, Transit Houses, and Training Institutes, which continue to stand as proud symbols of their foresight and commitment.



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He further emphasized that the present generation has a bounden duty to carry forward this legacy with Rights, Reforms, and Resilience as guiding principles, ensuring that the Association remains strong and relevant for generations to come.

He fondly recalled the history that inspired the leaders to establish the Officers' Co-operative Thrift & Credit Society Ltd. in 1975. He highlighted, with touching examples, how the timely financial assistance extended by the Society has stood as a pillar of support to countless members during times of emergencies and personal crises

He emphasized that this institution, born out of the vision and concern of our elders, continues to remain a lifeline for members, reflecting the true spirit of unity, mutual care, and solidarity on which our Association was founded.

He also narrated the memorable incident that inspired the leaders to establish the Educational Trust, an initiative that has since transformed the lives of thousands of children of our members through quality education. He proudly declared that the legacy of this Association can never be equalled or surpassed by any other trade union in our country, as it stands tall with unmatched contributions in the fields of welfare, education, housing, and member empowerment.



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The General Secretary assured that such meetings would be conducted on a regular basis to maintain strong and cordial relationships with the members. He requested all members to update their latest address and contact details with the association office, enabling the smooth dispatch of bulletins, diaries, and calendars on a regular basis. He concluded his speech by extending his heartfelt wishes for good health and peace to everyone.

The Vote of Thanks was delivered by Com. M. Muralidharan, Regional Secretary of Chennai Module II. In his address, he expressed gratitude to each and every member for their august presence and conveyed his best wishes for their continued well-being.

As a token of respect and appreciation for their dedication and commitment in carrying forward the legacy of our association to greater heights, gifts were distributed to the members.





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