

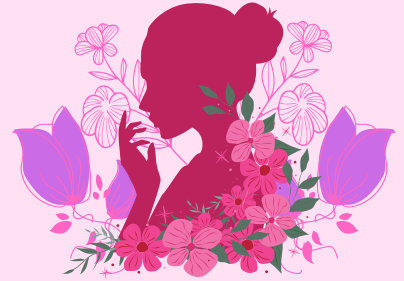


State Bank of India Officers' Association Chennai Circle

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Women's Day Celebrations



The Women's wing of SBIOA Chennai Circle celebrated International Women's Day in a grand and vibrant manner under the valuable guidance of our General Secretary Com.A.Senthil Ramesh on 08.03.2026 at SBOA School and Junior College, Chennai. Lady comrades from various zones across the Circle participated with great enthusiasm, making the event a memorable and inspiring gathering.

The theme of the celebration was "Women Farmers Year". Various engaging competitions were organised for women participants including Rangoli, Fireless Cooking, and Pencil Sketch.

Our vibrant lady comrades participated in a rally raising slogans emphasising women's rights and empowerment. The Chief Guest hoisted the flag and formally inaugurated the celebrations.





The programme began with a warm welcome to our Chief Guest Smt.Letika Saran, DGP (Retd.), Tamil Nadu, and Guest Speaker Shri Madurai Ramakrishnan.

A selfie point and registration desk were arranged at the entrance to welcome the members. Many participants enthusiastically captured memorable moments at the selfie point before joining the celebrations



Cultural Programmes

The event commenced with colourful cultural performances by our talented members.

Com. Shinolin from Chennai North began the programme with a melodious solo song. Team Madurai comprising Com. Punitha Remola, Com. Atheeswari, Com. Jessy Praveena, Com. Shalima, Com. Sudha and Com. Mary Rozario Johnny presented an impressive group dance.



A group song by Com. Shinolin, Com. Shupritha, Com. Priyadharshini, Com. Anupriya and Com. Sindhu from Team Chennai North mesmerised the audience.

Com. Subashini, Com. Sindhuja and Com. Nivedhita enthralled the gathering with an energetic dance performance.

Com. Manju Rajeswari from Coimbatore Module presented a captivating solo classical dance.



Team Chennai Module I, represented by Com. Preethi, Com. Priyadharshini, Com. Priyathachayini, Com. Nalini, Com. Shupritha and Com. Anupriya, stole the show with a colourful Rajasthani dance performance.

The programme was beautifully compered by Com. Jeevitha, Com. Tamilzhini and Com. Aljeena Alden from the host team, whose meaningful introduction set the tone for the event.



Following the cultural performances, the dignitaries were invited to the dais and the traditional lamp was ceremonially lit, marking the formal commencement of the programme.



The gathering was formally welcomed by Com. G. M. Vimala Devi, Deputy Treasurer, who extended greetings to the Chief Guests, leaders on the dais, office bearers, members, participants and their families.

The Presidential Address was delivered by Com. Nithish A. R. Singh, President, SBIOA (CC). He highlighted the Association's consistent efforts in addressing members' issues and elaborated on the successful escalation and resolution of several medical benefit cases. He also emphasised the important role played by the Association during the transfer exercise.

The Guest Speaker Shri Madurai Ramakrishnan delivered an engaging and thought-provoking speech on the personal and administrative skills of women and their invaluable contribution to society and the workplace. With his lively style and practical illustrations from daily life, he connected well with the audience and kept the gathering highly engaged



Smt. Letika Saran, DGP (Retd.), Tamil Nadu, shared inspiring insights on women's empowerment, leadership, and the challenges faced by women in professional life. She encouraged women to face challenges with confidence and highlighted the importance of taking "Me Time" for physical and mental well-being.

While discussing the pressures faced in society, she remarked on the resilience of women in handling extreme situations. She also emphasised the importance of introducing awareness about "Good Touch and Bad Touch" in school curricula for the safety and well-being of children.

She acknowledged the tremendous contribution of women bankers, who manage demanding professional responsibilities while balancing family life. Her inspiring words created a positive and empowering atmosphere among the participants.



Competitions and Prize Distribution

Various engaging competitions were organised for women participants including Rangoli, Fireless Cooking, and Pencil Sketch.

RANGOLI (12 Teams)

- 1.Mrs. Muthulakshmi
- 2.Mrs. Divya
- 3.Com. Priyathachayini & Com. Bhuvaneshwari
- 4.Com. Nalini & Uma Deepika

FIRELESS COOKING

- 1.Com. Bhuvaneshwari & Com. Priyathachayini
- 2.Com. Renguvathi Yuvaraj & Com. Manjumatha
- 3.Com. Preetha & Com. Sathyabama

PENCIL SKETCH

- 1.Com. Manjumatha
- 2.Com. Ashira Suji & Com. Poorna Kala
- 3.Com. Jeevitha Rajagopal



A lively “Guess the Personality” Quiz was also conducted, where participants enthusiastically responded and won prizes.

SBIOA Chennai Circle was honoured to receive a video message from Smt. Arundhati Bhattacharya, Former Chairman of State Bank of India. She conveyed her greetings and appreciated the initiative taken by SBIOA (CC) in organising the celebrations. She also expressed happiness that Smt. Letika Saran was participating in the event and emphasised the importance of empowering women in all spheres.



The programme concluded with a Vote of Thanks by Com. Sherine, Zonal Secretary, Chennai Module I, who expressed gratitude to the organisers, participants and volunteers whose dedication made the celebration a grand success.



Zumba Session

A professionally conducted Zumba session added great energy to the celebrations. Women members and children enthusiastically participated, creating a lively and positive atmosphere.



Competitions



Competitive events (Cooking without fire / Rangoli / Pencil sketch)

The celebration served as a meaningful platform to recognise the achievements of women and to promote equality, confidence, and leadership among them. SBIOA (CC) reaffirmed its commitment to continue supporting initiatives that promote the welfare, empowerment and recognition of women members.

Overall, the Circle Level International Women's Day Celebration 2026 was conducted in a vibrant and inspiring manner, spreading the message of empowerment, unity and solidarity among women comrades.



Cultural Events



From our General Secretary



STATE BANK OF INDIA OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION

CHENNAI CIRCLE

WOMENS DAY

08.03.2026

Dear Comrades,
Revolutionary Greetings!

On the occasion of International Women's Day, I extend my warmest greetings and heartfelt appreciation to all our women comrades. As a fellow comrade and well-wisher, I take immense pride in acknowledging the strength, resilience, and dedication that our women officers bring to the banking profession.



Your contributions go far beyond routine responsibilities—you enrich our organization with your commitment, integrity, and compassion. Women officers today carry the dual responsibility of excelling in demanding professional roles while nurturing and supporting their families. The grace, determination, and balance with which you manage these responsibilities deserve our deepest admiration and respect.

Your leadership, clarity of thought, and unwavering sense of duty continue to inspire your colleagues and strengthen the collective spirit of our organization. You are not only vital pillars of our institution but also role models for future generations.

As General Secretary, I assure you that our association remains committed to standing by you—supporting your aspirations, addressing your concerns, and striving to ensure a safe, respectful, and empowering workplace for all women comrades.

On this special day, let us celebrate your achievements and reaffirm our collective commitment to equality, dignity, and opportunity. Wishing all our women comrades a very Happy International Women's Day. May you continue to shine, lead, and inspire.

Comradely Yours,



(A. SENTHIL RAMESH)
GENERAL SECRETARY

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