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All Letters to be Addressed to the General Secretary

Read. No. 1872 of 1975 (REGISTERED UNDER TRADE UNION ACT - 1926) State Bank Building 2nd Floor, Local Head Office West Gandhi Maidan Patna - 800 001

CIRCULAR NO. Assn/Elec./01/2024

Date: 28.07.2024

TO ALL MEMBERS

TRIENNIAL GENERAL ELECTION: 2024 - 27

We feel extreme pleasure in advising the members that it has been decided to conduct election of the Association for the triennial period 2024-27 in terms of rule 14 of bye-laws of the Association. The Central Committee has appointed Election Committee consisting of following members in terms of sub-rule (iii) of Rule 14 (iii):-

Sr No	NAME	PLACE OF POSTING	DESIGNATION
i)	Sri Alok Narayan	AGM FI	CHAIRMAN
ii)	Sri Rajeev Ranjan	AGM PPG	MEMBER
iii)	Sri Abhijit Sur	ITS	MEMBER

02. The Central Committee has decided that the election shall be conducted according to the following election schedule (Triennial period - 2024-27): -

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1	Date of issue of Circular	28.07.2024
2	Date of publication of Electoral Roll	31.07.2024
3	Date of filing nomination start from	22.08.2024
4	Last date of filling nomination papers	31.08.2024 Up to 2.30 pm
5	Scrutiny of nomination papers by Election Committee	31.08.2024
6	Publication of valid nominations on Association site	31.08.2024
7	Last date of withdrawal of nominations	03.09.2024
		Up to 2.30 pm
8	Publication of list of contestants	03.09.2024
9	Date of polling throughout the States of Bihar & Jharkhand from 8.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.	22.09.2024
10	Alternate date for polling / re-polling , if needed	28.09.2024
11	Date of scrutiny of ballot papers	28.09.2024
12	Date of counting of votes and declaration of results	28.09.2024/ 29.09.2024 (if needed)

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The Central Committee has also decided that General Council be held at Patna in January25/February25 in terms of Rule 10 (ii) (A). The date will be decided by the newly elected Executive Committee.

- **03.** The Triennial General Election shall be conducted simultaneously for all the seven Zonal Committees (Bhagalpur, Deoghar, Dhanbad, Muzaffarpur, Ranchi, Patna & Gaya) along with Central Committee.
- **04**. It has been decided to advise the Election Committee to get the ballot papers printed in **8 different colours** for different Committees to facilitate easy identification. The colours proposed are as under :-

Α	Central Committee	White
В	Zonal Committee, Bhagalpur	Red
С	Zonal Committee, Deoghar	Orange
D	Zonal Committee, Dhanbad	Pink
E	Zonal Committee, Muzaffarpur	Brown
F	Zonal Committee, Ranchi	Green
G	Zonal Committee, Patna	Blue
H	Zonal Committee, Gaya	Yellow

- **05.** Members desirous to serve on the Central Committee / Zonal Committee are requested to send their nomination papers in sealed envelope preferably by Registered Post and / or hand delivery so as to reach the Election Committee by 2.30 p.m. **on 31.08.2024.**
- **06.** In terms of Rule 14 (x) of Bye-Laws, a Security Deposit of Rs.500/- / Rs.250/- will have to be made by means of Bank Draft drawn on Patna Main Branch in favour of SBI Officers' Association by each member desiring to contest the election to Central Committee / Zonal Committee respectively. Members posted in any office of the Bank in the State of Bihar & Jharkhand are eligible to contest for the Central Committee whereas members posted in any office / branch within the area of operation of the respective module as on date of nomination shall be eligible to contest for election to the respective Zonal Committee
- **07**. The Central Committee has also decided to prepare Electoral Roll as per the Membership Register at the office of the Circle Association at Patna as on **31.07.2024**.
- **08.** The nomination papers which are forwarded without the amount of Security Deposit will not be considered and straightaway rejected by the Election Committee.
- **09.** Members posted at Local Head Office/ZIO/SAMB/RRBs/SARB/SBILD shall be entitled / eligible to Vote/contest the election to Zonal Committee of respective Zones where the establishment is situated. Members posted at **Corporate Centre/I&MA or any CAO/KYC** located outside Circle shall be deemed to be the members of Circle subject to payment of monthly subscription & they shall be allowed to cast vote in the election by way of postal ballets only for Central committee.
- 10. The Electoral Roll is being prepared at this office on the basis of Register of Members as on 31.07.2024 keeping in view the subscription list received from the HRMS, LHO for July, 2024. The Electoral Roll shall be district-wise and module-wise. Copies of the Electoral Roll shall be available at the Association site for perusal by the members.
- 11. In terms of Bye-Laws 14 (viii) members may please note that the copies of the Voters' List shall not be provided to any contestant.

- 12. The nomination in prescribed form, a copy of which is enclosed, should be sent in a closed cover to the Election Committee, superscribing "Nomination for election to SBI Officers' Association: 2024-27." (Central Committee) (.......Name......Zonal Committee) If the nomination papers are sent through Registered Post, it is advisable to attach acknowledgement card and if sent through courier, an acknowledgement should be insisted upon.
- 13. On the date fixed for scrutiny of nominations, the Election Committee, after scrutiny, shall publish the list of nominations under their signatures. The nomination list shall also be uploaded on the Association site.
- 14 The election shall be held by Secret Ballot on a single non-transferable vote. Each member is required to vote for total number of strength of respective Central/Zonal Committees. In case of Central Committee, the members are required to vote for 15 and for Zonal Committee 11. Votes cast more/less than the strength of the respective committees shall automatically be cancelled.
- **15.** A member can contest for **ONLY ONE** Committee. If any member files nomination for Central as well as Zonal Committee and does not withdraw either of the two till the last date and time fixed for withdrawal, his nominations for both the Committees shall be cancelled by the Election Committee and his name will not appear in the final list of contestants not with-standing his name appearing in the list of nominations received.
- **16**. On the date fixed for voting, i.e., **22.09.2024** at the centers to be identified and circularized, the elections will be conducted with the assistance of Presiding Officers to be deputed by the Election Committee. The Presiding Officer for the center shall arrange to furnish ballot papers to the members after satisfying himself as to the genuineness of the voter as per the Electoral Roll.
- 17. Such members who do not desire to cast their votes at the specified centers (under Zonal jurisdiction they are posted) may request in writing to the Election Committee to allow them to cast their vote at another center in the same Zone at least 15 days before the date of polling i.e., positively by 07.09.2024. All such members should ensure that the center they are requesting for voting must be within the territorial jurisdiction of the concerned **Zone** under which the member are posted.
- 18. Each member will be given 2 Ballot Papers at the Polling Booth by Presiding Officer, one for Central Committee and the other for Zonal Committee. The Ballot Papers will contain serial numbers of all the contestants. Each member will be required to put cross stamp on 15 serial numbers in case of Central Committee and 11 serial numbers in case of Zonal Committee whom they want to vote. As already advised in preceding paragraphs, vote cast for more or less numbers will be cancelled.
- 19. At the center of voting, on any matter, the decision given by the Presiding Officer shall be final.
- 20. Any grievances against the Presiding Officer and / or conduct of election at the center must be addressed to the Chairman, Election Committee and sent immediately, preferably by special courier so as to reach within 24 hours from the close of polling to enable the election committee to take a decision in the matter.
- **21.** After the polling is over, the Ballot Boxes duly sealed by the Presiding Officers and 2 independent members at the center will be brought immediately to Patna by Presiding Officer himself.
- 22. The sealed Ballot Boxes will be kept in the Bank's Strong Room at Patna Main Branch till the date of Scrutiny/Counting.
- 23. No conveyance will be paid either by the Association or by the Election Committee for undertaking journey for casting votes. Similarly, no conveyance/halting allowance or "out of —Pocket expenses" will be paid by the Bank or by the Association to the Branch Manager/Joint Custodian or any other authorized officer for keeping the branch opened for conducting elections on the second of the Branch opened for conducting elections on the second of the second of

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pocket expenses shall be paid to all officers whose services has been engaged as observer / presiding officer / Election Committee Members engaged for election purpose.

24. In terms of Rule 15 of Bye-Laws of the Association, a provision has been made for appeal against malpractice in the election. Members must keep in mind the provision reproduced hereunder while lodging any complaint in respect of elections. "Once the Central Committee notifies the composition of Election Committee, the Election Committee will be authorized and empowered to entertain all complaints regarding conduct of elections. The Chairman of Election Committee shall be the authority to pass necessary orders regarding these complaints in consultation with other 2 members of the Election Committee. The Election Committee shall interpret the provisions of By Laws regarding conduct of elections and such orders will be binding on the complainants and the Central Committee. Complaint regarding malpractice, in the election must be lodged not later than one hour from the close of polling with the Presiding Officer or Election Committee against acknowledgement. All such complaints received will be forwarded by the Presiding Officer or member of the Election Committee to the Chairman within 24 hours of their receipt by them together with comments/reports, if any. The Election Committee will consider all complaints and take appropriate action under advice to the complainant at least 24 hours before scrutiny of Ballot Papers. The decision of the Election Committee in this regard shall be final. For the purpose of above rule dispatch of letter by registered post by the Election Committee shall be deemed to be valid."

25. The nomination form, withdrawal form and form for requesting change of center for voting are given as Annexure – "A", "B" and "C" respectively.

26. Members are requested to whole-heartedly participate in election to Executive Committee and extend co-operation to the Central Committee/Election Committee for ensuring free, fair and smooth elections. The Regional Secretaries and Activists are requested to extend their fullest co-operation to the Presiding Officers/Returning Officers who would be visiting centers of polling to conduct the elections so that they do not face any difficulty and true representative Committees are elected. The activists have to ensure that the representatives of the election Committee visiting the polling center with Ballot Boxes and Ballot papers do not face any difficulty and are not handicapped in conducting poll at the respective centers. They should extend co-operation in independent manner without being a party to any group or individual. The Central Committee has full faith that with the help of all, the elections will be free and fair and the committees that would be elected would be as per the desire of the members.

With warm comradely greetings,

(Amaresh Vikramaditya) General Secretary The Chairman **Election Committee** SBI Officers' Association (Patna Circle) Patna.

ELECTION OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE/ZONAL COMMITTEE: 2024-2027

I hereby offer myself as a cand Bhagalpur/Deoghar/Dhanbad/Muzaf period 2024-27.	date for election to the Central Committee/ Zonal Committee farpur/Patna/Ranchi/Gaya** of the Association for the Triennial
Name (Block Letters) Designation Department/Branch	
Posted at the Branch/Office since	
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If under orders of Transfer	
If yes, name of the Module	
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Name of the Proposer Signature Membership Number &PF Number Department/ Branch Name of the Seconder Signature Membership Number &PF Number Department/Branch	AILS OF COMPULSORY DEPOSIT

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Name of the Branch/Office from where subscription of the Association for the month of July 24 was deducted.....

Deptt./Branch.....

The Chairman
Election Committee
SBI Officers' Association
(Patna Circle)
Patna.

Committee(Name of the Zonal Committee	2024-27 in respect of Central / Zonal
I now hereby withdraw my nomination for Central/Zonal Committee	е.
	Yours faithfully,
	Name
	Signature
	Membership No
	P.F. Number

NOTE: - The Signature on this form should be in conformity with your signature on the Nomination Form.

The Chairman
Election Committee
SBI Officers' Association
(Patna Circle)
Patna.

CHANGE OF CENTRE FOR VOTING

I am posted at	.Branch/Office (Module). I reque	est
you to please change my center of voting	to Centre which would be easy for n	ne
to vote in the Triennial Election on	2024. I confirm that the new center falls under the are	
	Yours faithfully	6
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