DONATION TO CBROA WELFARE FUND

Dear members/friends,

At the outset, we profusely thank each and every member who responded to our call for donating to CBROA welfare fund. I am happy to inform you all that as on 4th April 2024, we crossed the coveted Rs 50 lakh mark, a unique achievement in the history of CBROA! With in a span over 8 days, we could cross half a core and around 3000 members contributing.

When I envisaged to give a call to our dear members to donate to build a corpus to fund our welfare activities, I was estimating a minimum *two crores of corpus*, considering that we have 12000 active members and even if on an average if every member contributes Rs. 2000, we can build a corpus of Rs. 2 crore and we can comfortably carry on our welfare activities from the interest earned on the corpus! However, though I am very grateful to the kind-hearted souls who always respond to the call of the association, 75% of the members numbering around 9000 are not responding! I wonder why? Is it a sin to ask

for donation to help the needy members? In fact, we haven't specified any amount to be given as donation! What I observed is that members who always used to contribute, are once again are coming forward to donate! Many octogenarians are even coming to our office at Bengaluru, and donating generously! I am really humbled by their generosity!

Friends, let me make it very clear, that all our welfare activities are funded by the donations given by our members. We had to take a hard call earlier and drop the death relief scheme, since our welfare funds were drying up! When couple of the major pensioners major demands were resolved, and our members could get a decent increase, of course, with all the short comings, we thought of giving a call to build a decent corpus. I am writing this because over 75% of the members are not responding! The state wise figures reflect the true picture!

Anyway, I once again give a call to all those who are yet to contribute to come forward to donate! Please note that your association funds are limited, we have to depend only on life membership amount and every month hardly we could get 40-50 life membership! We have to depend on the interest earned on our corpus amount to carry on all our activities including conducting Biennial conference and conducting various meetings across the country! Hence, please make up your mind and contribute and ENJOY THE FEELING OF GIVING!. PLEASE NOTE THAT EVERY RUPEE YOU CONTRIBUTE WILL BE SPENT ON THE NEEDY MEMBER WHO WAS YOUR COLLEAGUE IN THE BANK!

With warm regards,

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