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Canara Bank Officers' Co-operative Thrift & Credit Society Ltd

Dear friends,

A special meeting was conducted at our CBOA Chennai office to honour the Legend, Late Sri.C R Vaitheeswaran, Founder Member of Canara Bank Officers' Association

(CBOA) & Canara Bank Officers Co-operative Thrift & Credit Society Ltd (CBOS), fondly called by all of us as CRV.

The meeting was presided over by Sri.G V Manimaran, General Secretary, CBOA. Sri.Shanmugam, Treasurer, CBOA welcomed all our retired colleagues and also the Office Bearers and members for the meeting.

Sri.G V Manimaran, GS, CBOA recalled the good deeds of Sri.CRV and highlighted his sense of humour, which was the secret of his Good Health. He also pointed out that whenever anyone goes to his home, Sri.CRV will ask them to take as many books they want from his personal library.

Portrait of Late Sri.CRV was unveiled by Sri.C Badri, Former GM, Sri. B Balasubramanian, former President, CBOS & DM, Canara Bank, Sri.S Madhava Rao, former Director, CBOS & DM, Canara Bank, Sri.L Keerthivarman, former President, CBOS, Assistant General Secretary, CBOA, President, CBOS & DGM, Canara Bank and floral tributes were offered to the portrait of Sri.CRV.

Sri. B Balasubramaniam , former President, CBOS & AGM, Canara Bank, one of the founding members of our Thrift Society told that during those days, our Officers were members of Employee's Thrift Society and were dependent on the Employees Society for Loans, which were rejected sometimes. This made our Sri.CRV to decide for formation of separate Thrift Society at the time. The Society started was a multi-state co-operative society, with a vision of PAN India presence of our Thrift Society, whereas the employees society at that time was only a state level society. He explained the difficulties faced at that time in running the Society and recalled the sacrifices made by Sri.CRV.

He also informed that Sri.CRV was instrumental in formation of AICOBO, the Officers movement and he has offered his Tambaram house for the initial funding. These selfless acts were the seed for the Growth and welfare of Officers.

Sri.C Badri, Former GM, Canara bank, told that Sri.CRV was not only the blue eyed boy of all Chairmans, but he was also the blue eyed boy of all Employees. He was very soft and kind to all employees which is a great quality that every youngster should imbibe. He also highlighted various incidents which portrayed the negotiating skill of Sri.CRV. He also termed him a great negotiator and also a good decision maker. He appreciated the CANPAL activities initiated by CBOA. He also volunteered to guide our youngsters in all the possible forums like Training.

Sri.Keerthivarman, Former Assistant General Secretary, CBOA, President, CBOS, & DGM narrated the incident which was the base for providing furniture scheme to today's officers' in our Bank. One of our GMs Sri.Srimoolanathan decided to settle at Trichy after his retirement. Sri.CRV planned to visit him at his residence when he went to Trichy. But our former GM was bit hesitated. He told that he will go and meet him. If he comes to his house there was no furniture to sit. Sri.CRV came to know about this and felt bad and requested me,

as I was in Premises Section at Trichy, to explore any possibility to provide furnitures to our Officers at the time of retirement. By this time Sri.CRV has decided to evolve a scheme to provide furniture to the retirees. Next week based on his suggestion a circular was issued by HO that at the time of retirement, furniture can be taken by the Officers at book value. He also told that Sri.CRV handed over the administration of CADD centre started by him to the employee who worked with him in the centre, who can administer the CADD centre more efficiently.

Sri.S Madhava Rao, former Director, CBOS & DM, Canara Bank stated that Sri.CRV was instrumental in purchase of properties for Canara Bank. He also told that Sri.CRV was instrumental for the tallying of inventories in our Bank.

Sri.Asokan, Former CC member, CBOA & AGM, Canara Bank had written a poetry on Sri.CRV. In his poem he portrayed various works and character traits of Sri.CRV. He has no college education, but highly knowledgeable. Through the CRV trust for Education, he has supplied lot of books every year to students.

Sri.Hariharan recollected how Sri.CRV made him comfortable and helped him when he joined Delhi. Sri.CRV has helped many employees to come out of various difficult moments in their life. Irrespective of the proofs against the employees, Sri.CRV analyzed the real fact of Charge Sheeted Employees and helped them.

Sri.S.Nagarajan, Former DGM, Canara Bank recalled all the good deeds of Sri.CRV and requested the youngsters to imbibe his qualities.

Sri.G V Manimaran, General Secretary explained with emotions how the Baton passed by the legends were preserved carefully today and could achieve profit of almost Rs.87 Lakh in the Society, which is a clear indication of the Growth of the Thrift Society with a total membership inching towards 5000 mark and also presented his ambition to make this Society with membership of all the 26500 officers in our Bank to a small Co-operative Bank.

He also told that with the blessings of all the stalwarts and following their steps, we could achieve the present membership strength of 96.50% of Officers with about 26500 Officers and CBOA is second only to SBOA. He also stated that CBOA is the most active trade union across the country. He informed that with the present resource of about Rs.22 crores with CBOA, CBOA is planning to construct Holiday Homes throughout the country and also planning to construct Training Centre with a In-house training facilities to accommodate 100 persons at a time, and also Old Age Home in a total area 3.5 acres of land in Madurai.

He informed that because of our seniors, we could get facilities like Furniture Scheme for Officers, Quarters Facilities to Officers, Housing Loan, which was the base for the welfare schemes for Officers in our Bank. He also told that with that base, we could be improve those facilities and now we were able to achieve improvised furniture scheme, permission for acquiring 2nd House under HL Scheme and improvement in the Rental Ceiling, which is one of the highest in the Industry at present.

He also highlighted the deficiencies of the new accounting standard, which is about to come into effect from April, 2018. The new accounting standards will pave the way for downfall in the banking industry. Also it was pointed out that FRDI bill was passed to safeguard the small payment banks. Even the contribution to Pension Fund is getting decreased day by day and the amount given as pension is increasing. Even our pension may not be safe, and the banking industry is heading towards dark, with the present policies of the controllers.

He requested all the former CanBank Family Members to raise voice against the present situation in the Banking Industry in all possible forums, viz. Meetings, Social Medias, etc. He highlighted that at present 65% of the officers are youngsters who are not the reason for the present crisis, but they are facing the current situation. He also wished that the Former employees should lend their hand and support us and also to guide the youngsters in the banking industry. He also insisted the Youngsters to follow the good characters and qualities of persons like Sri.CRV and other senior members and work towards retaining Numero Uno status to our Bank in the industry and also to continue their good work for the welfare of the Officers.

Sri.Ravi Shankar R, CNT Member, CBOA proposed Vote of Thanks.

G V Manimaran
General Secretary