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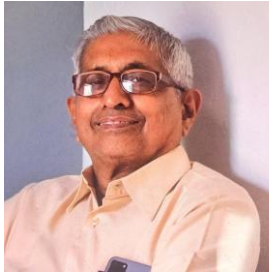
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To All Members

Dear Comrades,



Red Salute to Com. Dilip Chandra

A timeless fighter for the causes of bank employees, Com. Dilip Chandra, breathes his last on 25th January 2026 leaving lasting legacy of commitment and acumen in working class movement.

With profound grief, we announce the passing of our beloved trade union leader, Com. Dilip Chandra, former Asst. Treasurer/Treasurer of UCBEA (since 9th All India Conference till his retirement) who dedicated his life for championing workers' rights and social justice.

Before and after nationalization of banks, Comrade Dilip Chandra, one of the senior leaders of the banking industry and also UCO Bank Employees' Association, passed away on the night of January 25, 2026, at a private hospital in Salt Lake, Kolkata. Throughout his life, he was closely associated with the bank employees' movement as well as left and democratic movements. He associated himself with the UCO Bank Employees' Association since his joining. Comrade Chandra was our All India Treasurer and held this responsibility until his retirement.

Comrade Dilip Chandra was born on January 6, 1943, on Vidyasagar Sarani in Kolkata. He completed his early education in that area and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts from Vidyasagar College in 1963. Later, in 1966, he joined the then United Commercial Bank Limited and got involved with political and trade union movements in the BBD Bag area. During this time, he came into contact with leaders namely Comrade Naresh Pal, Comrade Shanti Ranjan Bal, Comrade Debabrata Chanda, Comrade Sudhir Chowdhury, Comrade Ashoke Kumar Ghosh, and others.

Before bank nationalization, he participated in various movements and strikes for employees interest under the banner of UCBEA which was then affiliated to AIBEA. From the 1960s and 70s onwards, he actively participated in bank employees' movements as well as left & democratic movements. He faced many attacks but never abandoned his political principles. He played an active role in the bonus movement and organizational matters in his young age. His role in managing the organization's office during Emergency Period will be remembered by all. Gradually, he became a member of the then Calcutta State Committee, later also elected to the Central Committee. At the end of the 1970s, from the ninth Conference, he was elected Assistant Treasurer of the Central Executive Committee and later became the Treasurer of the Central Executive Committee.

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He became a member of the Bank Employees Federation of West Bengal from its inception in 1980.

Comrade Dilip Chandra was one of the officials of the UCO Bank Staff Club. At that time, in the extended area of UCBEA, he was one of the leaders in the cultural activities of the UCO Bank Staff Club. He was one of the editors of the Organ of UCO Bank Staff Club "Dishari." He played a responsible role in the formation of the UCO Bank Employees' Cooperative Credit Society Ltd. as well as UCOHUT Housing Cooperative Society where he lived till his last days.

After his demise, his dead body was brought to the residence at late night where neighbors, former colleagues and comrades paid their last respects to him. The UCO Bank Employees' Association and other organizations expressed their heartfelt condolences. Former All India leader, our Ex-Treasurer, Com Tapan Talukdar, presented the red flag on the cadaver.

Comrade Dilip Chandra always performed his duties with a smiling face, silently and with his own work efficiency.

At the time of his death, he left behind his wife, two sons and daughters-in-law, two granddaughters, relatives, and numerous well-wishers.

His unwavering commitment, courage, and compassion inspired countless members & followers and strengthened our union. We extend our heartfelt condolences to his family, friends, and all who were touched by his legacy. We dip our banner in memory of our beloved leader.

**Comrade Dilip Chandra Amar Rahe.
Red Salute to Comrade Dilip Chandra.**

Issued by General Secretary, UCBEA (BEFI)