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21th August, 2016

Dear Comrades,

- ❖ **MAKE GENERAL STRIKE ON 2ND SEPT. 2016 A SUCCESS**
- Oppose anti-worker Labour Reforms.**
- Oppose anti-people Banking Reforms.**
- Oppose closure of Associate Banks and merger with SBI**
- Demand recovery of bad loans**

We are sure that by now all our units are on the job of mobilising all our members to make the ensuing National General Strike on 2nd September, 2016 a total success in all the Banks and in all the States.

Central Trade Unions reiterate countrywide General Strike on 2nd September, 2016:

A Meeting of the leaders of the Central Trade unions held on 18th August, 2016 at INTUC Office at New Delhi reviewed the preparatory campaign being joint carried on throughout the country for the joint call of countrywide general strike on 2nd September 2016 against the anti-worker, anti-people policies of the Govt. of India and also to press for the 12 point charter of demands jointly formulated by all the central trade unions of the country.

Govt. attitude is negative: The CTUs expressed dismay over utterly negative attitude of the Govt. towards basic demands of the workers on minimum wages as per consensus formulation of the Indian Labour conference, on universal social security including pension for all workers including those in unorganized sector, against mass scale contractorisation of permanent and perennial work against onslaught on basic rights of the workers through so called labour-law-reforms through various state governments and also by the centre in the background of large scale violation of labour laws being promoted by both the central govt. and also many state govts, desperate move for privatization/disinvestment of strategic and sensitive public sector units, and promoting limitless FDI in sensitive sectors like Defence, Railways, Banks, Insurance, and Retail, etc.

Labour Reforms, a danger even to organised workers: The CTUs made it clear that the desperate bid of the Govt. for changing the labour laws both through central and many state Governments is basically designed to throw even the overwhelming majority of the organized sector workers out of the coverage and purview of all basic labour laws which would render all other rights and benefits of the working people virtually meaningless. Such retrograde move

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of the Governments is aimed at imposing slavery on the working people have to be combated resolutely by the united movement of the workers, it being the central issue before them.

Response to strike is very encouraging: CTUs expressed satisfaction over the increasing response by the workers throughout the country to the call for united countrywide action reflecting firm determination to make the call for countrywide strike on 2nd September, 2016 a massive success.

Divide and rule policy down down: It is unfortunate that during the past one year, the Group of Ministers appointed for discussion with the CTUs on the 12 point charter of demands has not convened even a single meeting but has been only talking to BMS which has not joined the strike call.

The CTUs condemned the move of the Central Govt. to divide the workers in the face of ongoing strike campaign and create confusion through making misleading statements on its so called positive attitude on workers' demands both directly and through their various agencies and allies.

Widen the unity, heighten the campaign: While expressing confidence that such dubious ploy to mislead, confuse and divide the workers by the Govt. is destined to fail, the CTUs reiterated their clarion call and appeal to the working people of the country irrespective of affiliations to further widen their unity and unitedly combat the anti-worker policies of the Govt. through making the call for countrywide general strike on 2nd September, 2016 a total success.

STRIKE IN BANKS: In the Banking sector, besides AIBEA and AIBOA, BEFI, AIBOC, INBEF and INBOC have also given the call for strike. Unions in RBI and NABARD have also given the call for strike. Thus the strike is bound to be massive success in the Banks.

Let us ensure and make the Strike a re-sounding success.

With greetings,

Yours comradely,


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