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Kodialbail, Mangalore-3

Dear Members,

19.08.2016

**CALL OF THE TOILING MASSES – LET US BE A PROUD CONTINGENT –
MAKE THE 02.09.2016 STRIKE - A SPLENDID SUCCESS !**

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We have already communicated that the Central Trade Unions and other independent Federations and Unions of Banks, Insurance, Defense and other State Govt. Departments etc. have decided to observe **one day National General Strike on 2nd September 2016 to lodge protest against the barbaric attack of the Central Government on the working class through so called labour reforms** which weakens the security and safety of the workers at large and totally favours the corporates and the employer to hire and fire the workers at their will denying even legitimate salary and compensation.

If the proposed amendments to labour laws and the existing Acts such as Industrial Dispute Act, Contract Labour Act, Factories Act etc., the corporate and the capitalist class shall have free hand **not only to exploit the workers but also to blatantly deny the workers right to get organized themselves through unions as well as to deny the very right to strike** which is the ultimate weapon in the hands of the workers to raise their voice seeking justice.

The proposed contemplated amendments under the garb of labour reforms is being now considered by the Central Government under the dictates of the IMF, WTO and other International Financial agencies with the **ulterior motive of making India as a destination for cheap and contract labour with hire and fire provisions for the benefit of those Multi-nationals and Corporates** to have their business get flourished with profit alone as the sole motive.

In addition to the dangers of the proposed labour reforms which are detrimental to the working class, we the Bankmen are facing the threat of jobs and job security consequent to the Government's attempt to push through the agenda of privatization of Public Sector Banks, consolidation and merger of Banks etc. **The Government's ultimate aim is to weaken the Public Sector Banks through mergers and amalgamation** on one side as well as allow more corporates to start new Private Sector Banks such as small banks, payment banks etc. **wherein people will be hired on contract for meagre salary as Banking Correspondents and Agents.**

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Comrades, the Govt. is all set to crush our rights and privileges acquired through struggles and sacrifices for decades. The Government while weakening the Public Sector Banks as stated above is moving fast to give free license to Corporates and Multi-Nationals to open Banks in Private Sector to loot the people's savings. This Govt. which has now opened foreign capital in many spheres including defense and pharmaceuticals through 100% FDI is planning to have the same in the Banking Sector so that the existing Private Sector can be foreignised to favour the multi-nationals.

Under the circumstances, it is for us to realize the danger at the doorstep of ours so that we raise in one voice through all our strength at command to thwart these anti-labour, anti-worker moves of the Govt. **Hence, we call upon our members at all levels to participate in the General Strike of workers on 2nd September 2016 with conviction and determination.**

Our comrades at all levels should join the local programmes arranged by the Joint Action Committee of the Trade Unions in full strength to exhibit our solidarity under the banner of working class. We should display the anger against this unwarranted anti-employee, anti-worker move of the Govt. unitedly.

March forward to make the strike a wonderful success!.

With greetings,

Yours comradely,

**Sd/-
(P.R.Karanth)
GENERAL SECRETARY, KBEA**

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(K.Raghava)
GENERAL SECRETARY, KBOO**

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