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A meeting of the Working Committee took place at BTR Bhawan, New Delhi on 5th February, 2017. Com. K O Habib presided over the meeting. The Working Committee took stock of National scenario in Power sector and it was observed that the situation becomes dismal due to policy of the Government. A meeting of NCCOEEE National chapter took place on 3rd February, 2017. NCCOEEE also expressed agony over the situation. Various ways and means are deployed to broaden the scope for the private players in power sector as well state owned Discoms are being trapped into debt burden and consumers under pressure of tariff hike.

A good nos. of Working Committee members could not attend the meeting but they did not inform the reason for their absence. All Working Committee members are requested to convey their difficulty, if any, in advance. The available leaders from the states reported and took part in the discussion. The decisions arrived upon after detailed discussion are as under:

1. EEFI will continue its struggle to protect the interest of the consumers and the people, still beyond the access to electricity. The rights of the workers with special emphasize on casual and contractor workers will be extended through intensifying the struggle.
2. Working Committee decided to organize a National Convention at Delhi by the end of April, 2017 to impress implementation of Supreme Court judgment on Equal Wage for Equal Work. The date will be finalized depending upon availability of suitable auditorium at Delhi. The quota of participation will be allocated depending upon strength of the union and distance of the state from Delhi. However our unions of Haryana and Punjab will ensure presentable mobilization.
N.B. Mavalankar Hall at Delhi has been booked for 27th April, 2017. Hence, the venue of the convention will be at Mavalankar Hall. Convention will be commenced at 11 A.M.
3. The decisions arrived from the NCCOEEE meeting is being communicated through the NCCOEEE circular attached hereto. All the organizations are to put their best endeavour to ensure success of the state convention, regional convention and March to Parliament, (date will be notified in due course). NCCOEEE has taken up the issue of contract / casual workers but EEFI constituents are to develop campaign and struggle on the issue as a forefront organization. Besides, campaign on anti people power policy of Government of India to be deepened to wider section of people.
4. A. The 8th National Conference will take place at Hyderabad between 4th & 6th August, 2017. Formal Notice for the conference as per EEFI Constitution will be issued by the General Secretary. For advance information it is mentioned that delegation will be on the basis of membership of each affiliated organizations as on 31st December, 2016. However, EEFI has a good nos. of associated organizations in 3-4 states. If the organizations got them affiliated by 31st March, 2017 they will also have the scope of delegation. One delegate for each 400 (Four Hundred) members will be allocated. Additional one delegate will be allocated if remainder is above 200 (Two Hundred). Request for observer will not be generally entertained. But to accommodate any special request, General Secretary

in consultation with President and Working President will decide. Delegate fee will be Rs. 1000/- (One Thousand) per delegate. Working Committee emphasized that all the affiliates should accommodate considerable number of Women and Young activists as delegate for the conference.

B. All affiliation dues are to be cleared by 30th April, 2017 to enable EEFI centre to finalize the state / organization wise quota of delegation. All affiliated unions should send a copy of the return submitted to Registrar of trade unions for 2016 to clarify the strength of membership of the union.

C. All the organisations should send their activity report from 7th Conference to March 2017 with mention of self critical review of organizational progress and limitation, periodicity of the Office Bearers, Committee meetings and conferences, major struggle and achievements thereof by 30th April, 2017. Names of the leaders who passed away and the electricity workers who sacrificed their life in the course of rendering service should be sent along with the report.

D. Our Telegana State United Electricity Employees Union has taken the responsibility of hosting 8th Conference of EEFI. All are aware that the union is a blooming through their determined path of struggle. Our Andhra Pradesh United Electricity Employees Union, who were integrated in the same union before bifurcation of the state has offered their best of co-operation to make the conference a grand success. Our affiliates of Southern states have also agreed to extend their best support for success of the conference.

E. TSUEEU will organize a meeting towards formation of Reception Committee. Our President Com. K O Habeeb will take part in the meeting.

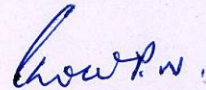
F. Working Committee discussed on invitation of delegates from fraternal organization of India & abroad. It was decided that delegates from our fraternal federations of Energy sector i.e. Coal, Oil & Gas as well Nuclear Power will be invited. In respect of delegates from adjacent countries decision will be finalized after discussion with the Reception Committee.

5. As decided, Centenary of the October Revolution will be celebrated through various activities of EEFI affiliates. A report from the states in this score may kindly be sent to EEFI centre for proper record as well publication in our esteemed organ Voice and website. EEFI will organise three training schools on this occasion. The time frame is immediately after 8th conference i.e. September, 2017. Venues and medium will be as under :

Region	Medium	Participating states	Place
Northern	Hindi	All Hindi speaking states	Patna
Southern	English	All Southern region states	Thiruvananthapuram
East & NE	Bengali	WB, Assam, Odisha, Tripura	Kolkata

6. Prasanta N Chowdhury will henceforth be publisher of Voice. The URL of the EEFI website will be www.eeficentre.org in lieu of www.eefi.org.
7. All the EEFI constituents are requested to send the report of their activities along with suitable high resolution photographs for publication in Voice and web casting in our site.
8. Following some rapid changes in our central office there are some information gaps. All the Working Committee members and Voice subscribers were requested to update their postal address, e-mail ID and Ph no. Most of our comrades excepting Kerala did not respond to this request. All are once again requested to expedite.

9. EEFI national centre will be shifted to P Ramamurthy Bhawan. Construction of the building is in its final stage. We are to contribute another 15lakhs of Rupees. Office Bearers meeting held on 19th October, 2016 decided to approach our members to contribute for a special fund for this purpose @ Rs. 25/- per member. Only a few states started remittance in this fund. It may be recalled that 7th conference of EEFI decided to collect @ 5% on first month's enhanced pay from the members of our affiliated organizations after wage settlement of the respective utilities. A good number of wage settlement has been achieved we are to review ourselves over the contribution in this struggle fund. In this respect it may be mentioned that only a few of the affiliates are contributing. Detailed report will be submitted in 8th conference. All are requested to cover the gap on priority basis.
10. EEFI Centre is having Fund constraint to cope with responsibility it is required to bear. But some of the affiliates are not paying the affiliation / Voice dues in time. During the year 2016 there are frequent changes of working hand in EEFI Centre. It might be that affiliation / other dues remitted by the organization but the same has not been reflected in the statement. Lapses if any may kindly be drawn to the notice of the Treasurer attaching the copy of the receipt issued from the centre within 31st March, 2017. Final accounts will be prepared within the first fortnight of April 2017. Adjustment will not be possible thereafter.



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General Secretary