

**NATIONAL COORDINATION COMMITTEE OF
ELECTRICITY EMPLOYEES & ENGINEERS**

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RESOLUTION ADOPTED IN MASS CONVENTION

AT CHANDIGARH ON 19TH MARCH, 2022

This august assembly held at Bhakna Bhawan, Chandigarh on 19th March, 2022, convened by National Chapter of National Co-ordination Committee of Electricity Employees & Engineers (NCCOEEEE), a broad based platform of all the National Federations of Electricity Employees & Engineers. This Convention calls upon the policy makers of the country to drop the target of snatching away the right to Electricity of poor & rural people of India in the name of privatisation of electricity distribution network of the country. This convention derides all attempts on the part of Govt. of India inestimable values to sell off public assets & resources to corporate houses at throw away price.

Electricity Employees & Engineers at the behest of NCCOEEEE fought tooth & nail to oppose enactment of series of Electricity (Amendment) Bill since 2014. Fine tuning of the draft Bill in 2020 exposed the hidden agenda of the Government to transfer revenue potential urban & industrial hubs to private companies, pushing up the tariff of consumers and left our state owned distribution company area of supply to sky level. NCCOEEEE greets the united forum of farmers, Samyukta Kisan Morcha (SKM) for their valiant struggle to scrap the Electricity (Amendment) Bill 2021 in addition to all Farm Acts.

All non-BJP state Governments vehemently opposed the Electricity (Amendment) Bill 2021 and plan of privatisation of DISCOMs at the behest of GoI. Even the BJP led state Govt's did not comply the privatisation process facing resistance struggle of NCCOEEEE constituents in UP, Haryana, Uttarakhand & Assam.

In view of all round resistance, Govt. of India decided to transfer power department assets of Union Territories to private hands. Heroic struggle of J&K, Puducherry & Chandigarh foiled all the attempts of privatisation. Powermen Union of UT Chandigarh resorted to Strike Action between 22nd & 24th February, 2022.

This convention notes that Chandigarh Power department loss is 9%. Chandigarh makes profit with high level of consumer satisfaction. This convention greets residents of Chandigarh city as well adjacent rural areas for extending full support to power sector employees of Chandigarh in their struggle against privatisation. Convention also greets electricity employees & engineers of Haryana, Punjab & Himachal Pradesh, who dauntedly refused to govt. proposal of deployment in Chandigarh during the Strike days.

This Convention univocally decries the administrator & his advisor in adopting suppressive measures to crush the democratic movement. Who were sleeping for a

couple of months and failed to estimate the strength of the unity of Workers & Employees. They opened the discussion on the day before strike & flatly admitted their inability to commit hold upon privatisation process, main demand of the employees.

Electricity Employees & Engineers of the country aggrieved to note that 100% employees of Chandigarh took part in the Strike, none was there to attend outages in the city. Chandigarh administration promulgated undemocratic black law ESMA to declare the lawful strike as illegal and imposed retrenchment, suspension, departmental show cause and false charges framed by the Police in the court of law upon the employees of Chandigarh who rendered best services to ensure cheapest supply of the electricity. Convention urges upon the govt. to withdraw all false charges & penal measures immediately. NCCOEEE calls upon all its constituents as well 27 lakh electricity employees and engineers to stand by the struggling Chandigarh power department employees. As an Operative part, convention resolved to urge upon the Chandigarh administration :

- To withdraw black law ESMA imposed in Chandigarh upon all democratic movement of electricity employees
- To withdraw all FIR upon baseless charges framed against the electricity workers of Chandigarh resorted to strike, after all other forms of protests through six months were not paid any heed to by the administration.
- To restore service of all 17 workers engaged through contractors for a long since in perennial nature of jobs under power department of Chandigarh.
- To withdraw all sorts of victimisation in the form of Show cause, Chargesheet, chargesheet and eviction from job.
- To implement revised scales of pay for all employees and engineers with retrospective effect, as par convention keeping parity with the employees of Punjab State Power Corpn. Ltd.
- To resume leave rights of the Chandigarh electricity employees with immediate effect.
- To Restore industrial peace and harmony in Chandigarh Power department through declaration of annulment of privatisation plan to ensure supply of quality power with cheapest and exemplary rate of tariff for the Chandigarh consumers.

This convention convey to Chandigarh administration as well Ministry of Home Affairs not to compel NCCOEEE to spread the conflict of Chandigarh all over the power sector of the country.

Convention resolved to send clarion call to all NCCOEEE constituents and workers and employees of the country to adopt all out effort to make Nationwide Strike Call on 28th & 29th March to press 12 point Charter of demands a grand success.
