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To
All Office Bearers / Working Committee Members &
General Secretary, All Affiliated / Associated organizations

Sub : Solidarity Action in support of Coal Workers Strike.

All of us are aware that half a million Coal workers of our country has resorted to path of strike action against dubious proposition of Government of India towards curtailment of social security benefit of the workers and employees of Coal industry of India to the tune of 1/3 of existing. They intend to merge Coal Mines Provident Fund (CMPF) with Employees Provident Fund (EPF). Other demands of United Forum of Coal Workers' Organisations are abolition of contract system in perennial nature of jobs and Equal Wage for Equal Work for the contract workers, full implementation of 9th wage agreement for Coal workers as well 10th settlement by the earliest. Coal workers also oppose withdrawal of decision on closure of Coal Mines. The three days strike between 19th & 21st June will put a thrust upon Narendra Modi-Piyush Goyal Government.

EEFI with all its constituents is also on the path of struggle for protecting the public sector Electricity Industry including compliance of Apex Court Order to Stop Contractorisation of work of permanent/perennial nature, Ensuring payment of Equal wages and benefits to the contract workers at the same rate as available to the regular workers till regularization of all the contract workers. Stop FDI in Railways, Insurance and Defense and disinvestment of PSUs, hold upon Transfer of National Assets and Resources to Private Hands, hold upon Anti-Labour Labour Laws Amendment and to Ensure Electricity for all at affordable cost.

EEFI notes with grave concern that Government of India, started siphoning accumulated Provident Fund of workers to risk prone stock market. Further step taken was unbundling of Social Security Organisations in the name of Social Security Code. Anti working class policy has been reflected in the proposed Industrial Relation Code and Wages Code. Entire working class of India should oppose all these draconian measures of Modi Government.

All the constituents of EEFI are requested to organize befitting solidarity action in support of Coal Worker Strike all over the country. A draft memorandum is attached hereto for onward transmission to Prime Minister as well MOS, Power, Coal and RE. The memorandum should be Faxed/Emailed after explaining issues along with demonstration of Electricity Workers on 19th June, 2017.

(Prasanta N Chowdhury)
General Secretary

19th June, 2017

MOMORANDUM TO SUPPORT

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Sub : AMICABLE SETTLEMENT OF COAL WORKERS' STRIKE.

Respected Sir,

You are aware that half a million Coal workers of our country has resorted to path of agitation against decision of Government of India towards curtailment of social security of the workers and employees of Coal industry of India. Government intends to merge Coal Mines Provident Fund (CMPF) with Employees Provident Fund (EPF). Other demands of United Forum of Coal Workers' Organisations are abolition of contract system in perennial nature of jobs and Equal Wage for Equal Work for the contract workers, full implementation of 9th wage agreement for Coal workers as well 10th settlement by the earliest. Coal workers also oppose withdrawal of decision on closure of Coal Mines. The three days' strike between 19th & 21st June has been called to oppose steps of the Government referred to above.

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EEFI notes with grave concern that Government of India started squandering away the accumulated corpus of hard earned Provident Fund of workers from EPFO to risk prone stock market. Further step taken was unbundling of septuagenarian time tested Social Security organizations like EPFO and ESIC in the name of formulation of Social Security Code. Anti working class policy in the interest of profit greedy traders and businessmen has also been reflected in the proposed Industrial Relation Code and Wages Code. Entire working class of India opposes all these draconian measures of Government of India. Electricity Workers of India under the auspices of EEFI, decided solidarity action in support of Coal Worker Strike all over the country and all out opposition against steps of Government towards curtailment of rights of people and workers.

We fervently request you to settle the demands of the Coal workers amicably and put total hold upon all anti-working class policy narrated above.

Signature

Name
Secretary