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'Modi Hathao – Desh Bachao'

Importance of this year to Working Class of the World needs no clarification. Right from centenary of October Revolution (1917) to bicentenary of birth of greatest ever philosopher for the mankind Karl Marx is covered within the ambit of this one year. Class oriented organisations from World Federations of Trade Unions (WFTU) National, State, District to individual unions are observing the year in various forms. EEFI also decided to develop awareness of its National and State level functionaries through regional trade union classes. Theoretical education is one important part but its application through resorting to struggle in the interest of Working Class as well people is more important. EEFI in its 8th Conference held at Hyderabad in August, 2017 decided to foster the struggle to protect the interest of Electricity Workers as well right to Electricity for the people of the country. Before our country stepped into neoliberal economic policy, number of Electricity workers in the country was around 1 million. Almost 90% of them were regular employees. Presently the scenario has abruptly changed. Now, number of Electricity employees exceeded 2.5 million. Out of which 1.5 million employees are being exploited to worst possible extent. Besides contract, casual, franchising, outsourcing there is various newly invented nomenclature of engagement in disguised steps of privatisation. With the advent of technology in power sector, more and more skilled worker has become necessary for generation, transmission and distribution related jobs. These skilled workers are paid at the lowest rate of unskilled workers. On the other hand risk prone jobs requiring adequate skill and training are entrusted upon unskilled workers. A huge numbers of them become victim of accidents.

We may recall that when Electricity Bill, 2000 was placed and Electricity Act, 2003 was enacted Government of India made advocacy of improved efficiency and market driven competition in the Power sector towards reduction of cost of supply. Unbundling of SEBs and extension of privatisation took place simultaneously. Result is known to everyone. Cost of supply of Electricity is touching sky, whereas affordability for the poor people does not commensurate. Hence, EEFI decided to resort to path of struggle against Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2014 and exploitation of Electricity workers. Concurrently the demand for re-bundling of state owned

power companies into single entity comes ahead.

National Co-ordination Committee of Electricity Employees and Engineers (NCCOEEE) as apex platform for the struggle organised regional and state conventions to make the people aware the conspiracy being hatched up against their right of access to Electricity. Memorandum sent to Prime Minister and Power Minister (GoI) remained un-responded. Natural Energy Resources of the country is being transferred to private hands at the terms detrimental to public exchequer. NCCOEEE organised a 20,000 strong massive rally of Electricity Employees and Engineers shook Parliament Street at Delhi on 3rd April, 2018. It was resolved there from that National Convention will take place in June (now the date is fixed on 8th June) to draw attention of the people as well Government. Date of National level strike in Power sector will be declared from the Convention.

Government of India at Delhi observed 9, 10 & 11 November, 2017 a huge continuous demonstration of workers against the policies of Narendra Modi Government. As per policy, this Government is treacherous to down trodden people hailing from dalits / scheduled caste, tribe, backward and minority community. It is blindly backing all sorts of unlawful economic activities practiced by its sycophants of middle and upper level capitalists. In one hand it nourishes and indulges the hoodlums engaged in oppression of poor people in the name of cow worshiping as well saving the Hinduism through hate campaign, atrocities and communal violence. On the other hand the criminal activities of honour killing, moral policing and travestying modesty of women all over the country in general and specifically in BJP ruled states.

Narendra Modi with his Jumla before Parliamentary Election in 2014 assured his war against corruption as well black money. He promised 15 lakh rupees per head will be deposited to bank account of every Indian citizen from the black money accumulated in the banks abroad by the tax defaulters. He kept his promise but direction is reverse. Steps are being taken to grab money from the bank account of every Indian citizen in this or that plea. Accumulated money from these steps is being spent and will be spent to accord tax concession, bail in, non refundable loan from public sector banks. Demonstration of workers all over the country demanded settlement of 12 point charter of demands. Workers also

vehemently objected to Government's effort to formulation of Labour Codes substituting time tested Labour Laws achieved through Working Class struggle in the country. These Labour Codes have been formulated to make the Government's obnoxious intention to favour the employers. Various earned rights of the workers will be curbed, if these Codes are implemented. Some of the Clauses of the Codes indicate that Indian workers will have to surrender their fundamental rights as citizen of India. Slogans of Modi Government like 'Make in India', 'Ease of Making Business' and 'Shrameva Jayate' are nothing but veiled efforts in favour of Indian and foreign capitalists engaged in profit making ventures through more and more exploitation of Indian workers. Recent addition in this score is 'fixed term employment' notification.

In forth coming month waves upon waves of struggle will lead to vigorous shaking to Government and its policy. On 23rd May the National level platform of more than hundred mass organisations 'Jan Ekta Jan Adhikar Aandolon' (JEJAA), of which EEFI is one constituent will organise massive demonstration in all the state capitals and Delhi with the slogan "Modi sarkar ki char sal – pol khol halla bol" (Raise your voice to expose four years of Modi Government).

The date of Electricity workers strike to be declared from 8 June Convention may be synchronized with August Movement of Indian Working Class. In commemoration of anti imperialistic 'Quit India' Movement on 9th August, 1942 all the workers of India will observe civil disobedience movement (Jail Bhao) on the same day of 2018.

Huge peasants march in Maharashtra and Rajasthan has shaken the respective BJP Governments. Now on 5th September, solidarity march of workers and peasants will lead to Parliament to create an unprecedented show off with exposure of grievance and displeasure against Modi Government. Of course, Electricity workers will be a major component in this rally. All our unions should prepare themselves to take part in this historical event.

Voice of Electricity workers send its clarion call to all Electricity workers over and above members of EEFI constituent organisations to join this movement of 'Modi Hathao – Desh Bachao'.

Rigorous Demonstration Out by EEFI Against The Electricity Amendment Bill 2014 and Contractorisation of Workers in Front of Parliament

A rigorous demonstration was carried out by EEFI on 3rd April, 2018, in front of Parliament. An unanimous agenda was raised by all thereby issuing warning to the central govt. that if the anti-employee & anti-consumer draft of the Electricity Amendment Bill (2014) is placed in the monsoon session of the Parliament & the contractual employees are not regularized, then near about 25 lakh employees & engineers of the electricity sector throughout the country will participate in the suspension of work. In order to finalise the date of carrying out suspension of work, a national convention will be organized at Galeeb Institute Auditorium in June, 2018. Apart from the members of NCCOEEE, all other Trade Unions will also participate in the convention. A huge rally was staged in the Sansad Marg, with electricity employees & engineers coming from all the states shouting slogans and showcasing the banners opposing the draft Electricity Amendment Bill (2014), demanding immediate regularization of contractual workers, restoration of old pension policy etc. Around 12 in the noon, the entire Parliament street was crowded by the demonstrators of the red-brigade, EEFI. The General Secretary of EEFI & national coordinator of NCCOEEE, Com. Prasanta Nandi Choudhury placed the agenda regarding anti-human draft of the Electricity Amendment Bill (2014). He addressed that previously couple of meetings were held by NCCOEEE with energy minister Mr. Piyush Goyal, where he ensured that only after incorporating the suggestions put forward by NCCOEEE, the Electricity Amendment Bill will be presented in the parliament. But with new energy minister announcing the presentation of the draconian bill in parliament in days to come, a widespread discontent was created among the employees & engineers. He said that efforts were made to meet the present energy minister couple of times but it was in vain. In spite of huge protests from the electricity employees & engineers, Electricity Amendment Bill 2014 was passed by the then NDA govt. citing that all employee related & consumer related problems will be resolved through this and quality energy at reduced cost will reach every household. He said that before the implementation of the Electricity Amendment Act 2003, the combined loss of all the State Electricity Boards was

roughly around 30000 crore rupees. But currently after the implementation of the Outsourcing policy, the combined loss is increasing and has exceeded 9 lakh crore rupees. Not only this, but also approx 20 crore people are still outside the purview of electricity connectivity and govt. should take a note of it. Instead of doing this they are too busy to pass & implement the Electricity Amendment Bill (2014). If this bill gets implemented by hook or by crook, then the private licensees will also be given license to distribute power within the ambit of public power distribution channel. The private licensees will tend to heavy profiteering instead of adding values to the society. The reduction of subsidy & cross subsidy will gradually make the access to power connectivity out of reach of the poor, rural & urban consumers & the farmers. Thus, all the employees & engineers of power sector throughout the country needs to intensify their united struggle against this. The chairman of All India Power Engineers Federation, Sri Shailendra Dubey supported the agenda and highlighted that the electricity network that has been set up with the immense efforts of workers, employees & engineers has been opened up by the govt. to the private licensees and they will make huge profit by paying only a nominal charge. He said that in spite of inviting a discussion regarding these issues with the energy minister on behalf of Engineers Association, he did not pay any heed to this request. He addressed that if this bill becomes an act, then the private licensees will only supply electricity to those sectors where network loss is less and the bill collection is 100%. Those poor families & farmers to whom electricity will not be supplied through private licensees, they will be supplied connections through govt. companies. That means profit will be made by the private parties whereas loss will be borne by the Govt. companies. This will only lead to ultimate closure of these govt. companies. He also said that if the distribution – supply of important sector like electricity is entrusted in private hands then it will raise questions regarding the sovereignty of our country. He also highlighted that due to the policies adopted till date in the electricity sector, the loss & liabilities of the distribution companies have been on the rise manifold. In spite of having generation capacity of nearly

3 lakh mw in the govt, sector only nearly 1.5 lakh mw are being generated. The only reason behind these are to provide huge profit making opportunity to the private players. He said that if the central govt. tries to pass the Electricity Amendment Bill (2014) and donot pay heed to the long awaited demands of the employees amidst all these protests, all the employees & engineers of the electricity sector throughout the country will go for a strike. While addressing the rally, Com. Tapan Sen extended support to this movement of the employees & engineers of the electricity sector on behalf of CITU. He said that the BJP govt.'s only objective is to provide tons of relief to the corporate sector thus completely undermining the pre-poll promises made to the people of the nation in 2014. While the onus should have been to arrest corruptive practices and formulate policies to resolve the demands of the poorer sections of the society, but tons of reliefs to the corporate sector are acting as a major hindrance to these. Due to curtailment of social budget, the social services have also been halted. He said that workers, farmers, youth & women all are staging protests with their own demands. He cited the instance of the farmers' long march from Nashik to Mumbai under the leadership of All India Kisan Sabha which attracted support from every sections of the society and forced the BJP govt. to give in to the demands of the farmers. He also appealed to build up a strong decisive movement against these anti-human govt. policies by establishing a strong bonding with the people, by citing the instance of the movement organized Haryana electricity employees. He addressed that inspite of huge success of the Mahapadav during 9-11 November, 2017, BJP govt. is still not retreating back from its pro-corporate policies directed towards creating hazards for the labours & workers of our country. AITUC leader Com. Amarjeet Kaur also addressed the distressed conditions of workers throughout the country during the BJP regime and called for staging a strong united protest against the govt.'s anti-labour & anti-hu-

man policies. He said situation will become more grave due to relaxation of FDI rules in the banking , insurance & defence sector. Due to non-implementation of the resolutions of the Swaminathan Commission nearly 54 farmers every day are committing suicide but the BJP govt. instead of paying attention to these burning problems, they are very busy to break the unity of the working class by their religious discrimination. Various other leaders from other electricity organizations also addressed the rally. The major demands of the electricity employees & engineers are as follows :

1. Seriously introspect the causes leading to the negative outcome after the implementation of the Electricity Amendment Act 2003.
2. The Electricity Amendment Bill (2014) should be kept at hold without any detailed discussion with the employees & engineers.
3. The central govt. & all the state govts. should implement the suggestions adopted in the National Seminar held between 17 & 18 November 2017.
4. Implement the order of the apex court for " Equal Pay For Equal Work".
5. Stop recruiting contractual employees in the operation & maintainance work and also regularize the contractual workers recruited earlier.
6. Immediately apply old pension rules for the employees recruited after January 2004.
7. Safety measures should be strictly adhered to for all the workers.
8. Stop entrusting the national natural resources in private hands.
9. Stop disinvestment in the electricity sector.
10. Start treating the right to energy as human right and provide 24 hrs uninterrupted supply of electricity to all consumers.

**Electricity Employees & Engineers
Prepare for an allout Power Sector strike
in coming Monsoon
against Anti People Power Policy of Government**

ADOPTED RESOLUTION

MARCH TO PARLIAMENT AT NEW DELHI, ON 3RD APRIL, 2018

This mammoth Rally of Electricity Workers, Employees and Engineers assembled at Delhi before the Parliament on 3rd April, 2018 under the banner of National Coordination Committee of Electricity Employees & Engineers (NCCOEEE) to draw the attention of the People and The Government of India towards the situation in the Power Sector, all over the country and oppose the unilateral Power Policy of Government of India to snatch away the Right to Electricity of the poor people of India.

NCCOEEE the broad based platform of all National Federations of Electricity Workers, Employees and Engineers has convened this Rally at Delhi after series of consultation with the people through Regional, State and District level Conventions throughout six months last in all parts of the Country. Those Conventions resolved to oppose the frantic effort of the Government to Privatisise the Publicly owned Electricity Industry through administrative and legislative measures. This rally is the form of open Convention, with representation of Electricity Workers, Employees & Engineers, once again resolve to call upon the Prime Minister and Members of Parliament to scarp the Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2014 placed in the Parliament.

Game of speculation, gambling and cheating has taken its inevitable course in power sector in the era of reform. Government gifted Ambani regime of Odisha took an end on firm stand of OERC, role of Ambanis in Shasan coal scam and COD episode unveiled a tip of iceberg. Debt-laden Reliance Infrastructure has sold its electricity generation, transmission and distribution business in Mumbai run under the Reliance Energy brand to Adani Transmission Ltd in an all-cash deal valued at Rs 18,800 crore. Reliance has not paid Electricity duty to the tune of Rs. 1452 Crores to Maharashtra Government and threw the burden on Adani, in famous for deep sea buying of imported coal to inflate cost of generation, and expertise to swallow public exchequer by courtesy of his friendship with Modiji.

Voice of news media has been gagged. Corrupt practices of business tycoons in the arena of Coal, Gas and other resources of Electricity published in the media is suppressed with the influence of interested lobbies. Corruption will be continued but publishing the news will be proscribed. The episode of removal of editor of nationwide famous journal has unveiled the fluid status of Indian democracy.

This rally express high applaud to Uttar Pradesh United Forum of Electricity Employees for their heroic struggle against Privatisation of Electricity distribution of major cities of UP. This rally also warns UP Government not to adopt any excessive measures, against Electricity Employees. At that event their brotherhood all over the Country will not be silent spectators and will act reciprocative.

This Rally of NCCOEEE firmly puts following demands to Government of India as well all the State Governments and Legislators and Parliamentarians:

- 1) Implementation of Electricity Act, 2003 and adverse effects there upon should be reviewed with the target of integrating the state owned Power sector.
- 2) Complete hold upon enactment of the anti worker and anti consumer provisions of proposed Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2014.
- 3) Stop enactment of proposed Electricity (Amendment) Bill in Parliament without prior discussion with the representatives of organisations of electricity employees and engineers as assured by the former MIC Power, Government of India in several meetings took place between Power Minister - DoP officials and leaders of NCCOEEE in 2015 and 2016.

- 4) Government of India as well state Governments should consider the recommendation of the National Seminar on Power –“Present and future Perspectives” held at Bangaluru between 17 and 18 November, 2017 to save the public owned Power sector from total bankruptcy.
- 5) Comply Apex Court order for ‘Equal Wage for Equal Work’ and put complete hold upon engagement of contract workers in regular operation and maintenance jobs pending regularization of existing contractor workers.
- 6) Implement old pension scheme for all power employees recruited after April, 2004.
- 7) Ensure safe working condition in risk prone jobs in Electricity industry.
- 8) Stop transfer of natural energy resources to the hands of private capitalists.
- 9) Stop disinvestment in Energy Sector PSUs of India
- 10) Ensure ‘Right to Energy as Human Right’.

This Rally endorses the decision of Apex body of NCCOEEE for resorting to a Nationwide Power Sector Strike during the monsoon session of the Parliament, in consultation with All Central Trade Unions and National Federations through a National Convention at Delhi.

Public awareness campaign against the suicidal policy of the Government to curb the Right to Electricity of the Poor Peoples of India will continue in support of the Strike.

Long Live NCCOEEE.

Long Live Unity of Electricity Consumers, Employees and Engineers.

Save Public Sector, Save Nation.


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बिजली कर्मचारियों व इंजीनियरों ने बिजली संशोधन बिल-2014 व कच्चे कर्मचारियों की मांगों को लेकर 3 अप्रैल को संसद के समक्ष किया जोरदार प्रदर्शन : सुभाष लाम्बा

देश के बिजली कर्मचारियों एवं इंजीनियरों की राष्ट्रीय समन्वय समिति के बैनर तले 3 अप्रैल, 2018 को संसद पर जोरदार प्रदर्शन किया गया। प्रदर्शन में सर्वसम्मति से पारित किए गए प्रस्ताव में केन्द्र सरकार को चेतावनी दी गई कि जन व राष्ट्र

मार्च) पूरी तरह बिजली कर्मचारियों व इंजीनियरों से पट गया था। ईईएफआई के झंडे व टोपियां लगाए बिजली कर्मचारियों की भारी संख्या के कारण संसद मार्ग पूरी तरह लाल-लाल दिखाई दे रहा था। नेशनल कोर्डिनेशन कमेटी ऑफ इलैक्ट्रीसिटी इम्प्लाइज



एण्ड इंजीनियर्स के संयोजक एवं इलैक्ट्रीसिटी इम्प्लाइज फैडरेशन ऑफ इंडिया के महासचिव का. पी एन चौधरी ने प्रस्ताव रखते हुए बिजली संशोधन बिल-2014 को जन व राष्ट्र विरोधी करार दिया। उन्होंने कहा कि पूर्व केन्द्रीय ऊर्जा मंत्री पीयूष गोयल के साथ राष्ट्रीय समन्वय समिति की दो दौर की बातचीत हुई थी। जिसमें ऊर्जा मंत्री ने कमेटी द्वारा दिए गए सुझावों को मानते हुए आश्वासन दिया था कि कमेटी द्वारा दिए

विरोधी बिजली संशोधन बिल-2014 को बिजली कर्मचारियों व इंजीनियरों के विरोध के बावजूद मानसून सत्र में पारित किया गया और बिजली सेवा में कार्यरत ठेका मजदूरों की सेवाओं को नियमित नहीं किया, तो देश भर में कार्यरत 25 लाख कर्मचारी व इंजीनियर राष्ट्रव्यापी हड़ताल करेंगे। राष्ट्रव्यापी हड़ताल की तारीख की घोषणा के लिए जून, 2018 को गालिब इंस्टीट्यूट ऑडीटोरियम में नेशनल कन्वेंशन का आयोजन किया जाएगा। कन्वेंशन में नेशनल कोर्डिनेशन कमेटी ऑफ इलैक्ट्रीसिटी इम्प्लाइज एण्ड इंजीनियर के सभी घटकों के अलावा केन्द्रीय ट्रेड यूनियनों के नेताओं को भी आमंत्रित करने का ऐलान प्रदर्शन में किया गया। प्रदर्शन में बड़े सवरे से ही अलग-अलग राज्यों से बिजली कर्मचारी अपने हाथों में बैनर व झंडे लेकर बिजली संशोधन बिल-2014 को रद्द करो व कच्चे कर्मचारियों को पक्का करो तथा पुरानी पेंशन नीति बहाल करो आदि नारे लगाते हुए संसद मार्ग पर पहुंचने शुरू हो गए थे और यह सिलसिला समाप्ति तक जारी रहा। करीब 12 बजे पार्लियामेंट स्ट्रीट (संसद

गए संशोधनों के सुझाव के बाद ही यह बिल सदन के पटल पर रखा जाएगा। लेकिन वर्तमान केन्द्रीय ऊर्जा मंत्री ने पदभार संभालते ही इस बिल को पारित करवाने का ऐलान कर दिया है। जिसको लेकर देश के कर्मचारियों व इंजीनियरों में भारी आक्रोश है। उन्होंने कहा कि राष्ट्रीय समन्वय समिति ने केन्द्रीय ऊर्जा मंत्री से बिजली संशोधन बिल-2014 व कर्मचारियों की अन्य लंबित मांगों पर बातचीत का समय निश्चित करवाने का दो बार अनुरोध किया, लेकिन कोई जवाब नहीं मिला। उन्होंने कहा कि संसद प्रदर्शन से पूर्व 4 जोनों में कन्वेंशनों का आयोजन किया गया। उन्होंने कहा कि बिजली कानून-2003 कर्मचारियों व इंजीनियरों के विरोध के बावजूद एनडीए सरकार ने यह कहकर पारित किया कि इससे बिजली संकट तथा उपभोक्ताओं की समस्याएं समाप्त हो जाएंगी। सभी घरों में अच्छी गुणवत्ता के साथ बिजली सप्लाई की जाएगी। उन्होंने कहा कि बिजली कानून-2003 के समय तमाम राज्य बिजली बोर्डों का घाटा करीब 30 हजार करोड़ का था। इसके बाद बिजली क्षेत्र में लागू की गई



का समर्थन करते हुए कहा कि जनता के खून-पसीने और बिजली कर्मचारियों व इंजीनियरों की मेहनत से खड़े किए गए नेटवर्क को प्राइवेट लाइसेंसी बहुत ही मामूली शुल्क पर इस्तेमाल करते हुए भारी मुनाफा बटोरेगी। उन्होंने कहा कि इंजीनियर एसोसिएशन ने भी केन्द्रीय ऊर्जा मंत्री से बिजली सुधारों पर बातचीत के लिए समय देने का अनुरोध किया था, लेकिन कोई जवाब नहीं मिला। उन्होंने कहा कि एक्ट पारित होने के बाद जो प्राइवेट लाइसेंसी वितरण के क्षेत्र में कारोबार करने के लिए आएंगे, वो उन क्षेत्रों एवं उपभोक्ताओं को

आऊटसोर्सिंग व निजीकरण की नीतियों के कारण आज 30 हजार करोड़ का घाटा बढ़कर (घाटा व कर्ज) 9 लाख करोड़ का हो गया है। इतना ही नहीं, तमाम दावों के बावजूद करीब 20 करोड़ लोगों के पास बिजली का कनेक्शन नहीं है। सरकार को इसकी समीक्षा करनी चाहिए। लेकिन सरकार इसकी समीक्षा करने की बजाय बिजली संशोधन बिल-2014 को पारित करवाने पर आमादा है। अगर यह बिल ज्यों का त्यों पारित होता है, तो

बिजली सप्लाई करेंगे, जहां लाइन लॉसिज कम है और बिलों की वसूली शत-प्रतिशत है। उन्होंने कहा कि बिजली संशोधन बिल-2014 के प्रावधानों के तहत जिन गरीब उपभोक्ताओं एवं किसानों को प्राइवेट लाइसेंस से बिजली सप्लाई नहीं करेंगे, उनको सरकारी कंपनी बिजली सप्लाई करेगी। उन्होंने कहा कि इसका मतलब यह हुआ कि मुनाफा प्राइवेट लाइसेंसि कमाएंगे और घाटे का कारोबार सरकारी कंपनी करेगी। जिसके कारण उसका बंद होना

बिजली वितरण प्रणाली के क्षेत्र में भी प्राइवेट लाइसेंसि को वितरण के लाइसेंस दिए जाएंगे। प्राइवेट लाइसेंसि समाज कल्याण के लिए नहीं आएंगे, बल्कि वे भारी मुनाफा कमाएंगे। सब्सिडी व क्रॉस सब्सिडी खतम होने से बिजली गरीब, ग्रामीण व शहरी उपभोक्ताओं तथा किसानों की पहुंच से बाहर हो जाएगी। इसलिए देश के तमाम कर्मचारियों व इंजीनियरों को इस बिल के खिलाफ लामबंद होकर आंदोलन तेज करना होगा। प्रस्ताव पर बोलते हुए ऑल इंडिया पॉवर इंजीनियर फैडरेशन के चेयरमैन शैलेन्द्र दूबे ने प्रस्ताव





कर्मचारियों व इंजीनियरों की मांगों एवं आंदोलन का पुंरजोर समर्थन किया। उन्होंने कहा कि भाजपा ने चुनाव से पहले जो वादे देश की जनता से किए थे, आज उन पर अमल करने की बजाय कॉरपोरेट घरानों को लाखों-करोड़ों की राहतें दे रहे हैं। दावे गरीबों की भलाई और भ्रष्टाचार पर अंकुश लगाने के हो रहे हैं। लेकिन सच्चाई यह है कि कॉरपोरेट घरानों को छूटें दी जा रही हैं और जनसेवाओं के विभागों के बजट में कटौती होने से जनसुविधाओं में कटौतियां हो रही हैं। उन्होंने कहा कि किसान, मजदूर, नौजवान, महिलाएं

लाजिमी है। उन्होंने कहा कि बिजली जैसा अति महत्वपूर्ण विभाग और उसमें भी वितरण सप्लाई को निजी हाथों में सौंपा जाएगा, तो देश की संप्रभुता के लिए भी सवालिया निशान लगेगा। उन्होंने कहा कि अब तक बिजली क्षेत्र में तथाकथित किए गए सुधारों के कारण वितरण कंपनियों के घाटे व कर्जे बढ़ते जा रहे हैं। उन्होंने कहा कि सरकारी क्षेत्र में करीब तीन लाख मेगावाट बिजली उत्पादन की क्षमता है, लेकिन उत्पादन केवल डेढ़ लाख मेगावाट के करीब हो रहा है। सरकार की उदासीनपूर्ण नीति के कारण यह इसलिए हो रहा है, ताकि प्राईवेट खिलाड़ियों को बिजली क्षेत्र में मुनाफा कमाने के अवसर प्रदान किए जा सकें। उन्होंने कहा कि

अपनी-अपनी मांगों को लेकर संघर्ष के मैदान में है। उन्होंने कहा महाराष्ट्र के किसानों ने अखिल भारतीय किसान सभा के नेतृत्व में नासिक से मुंबई तक नंगे पांव लोंग मार्च किया, जिसको सभी तबकों का व्यापक समर्थन मिला। जिसके कारण महाराष्ट्र के मुख्यमंत्री को किसानों की मांगें मानने पर मजबूर होना पड़ा। उन्होंने हरियाणा के बिजली कर्मचारियों के आंदोलन की सराहना करते हुए जनसेवाओं की रक्षा करने के लिए जनता के बीच जाकर व्यापक एकता के साथ निर्णायक आंदोलन का निर्माण करने का आह्वान किया। उन्होंने कहा कि 9, 10 और 11 नवंबर के महापड़ाव के बावजूद केन्द्र सरकार पूंजीपतियों के हकों में

आज के प्रदर्शन के बावजूद अगर केन्द्र सरकार ने इस जनविरोधी बिल को पारित करवाने का प्रयास किया और बिजली कर्मचारियों तथा इंजीनियरों की अन्य लम्बित मांगों की अनदेखी की, तो बिजली कर्मचारी व इंजीनियर राष्ट्रव्यापी हड़ताल / कार्य बहिष्कार करने पर मजबूर होंगे। बिजली कर्मचारियों व इंजीनियरों के प्रदर्शन को सम्बोधित करते हुए सीआईटीयू के महासचिव का. तपन सेन ने अपने संगठन सीटू की ओर से बिजली



किए जा रहे मजदूर विरोधी संशोधनों से पीछे हटने को तैयार नहीं है। एटक की वरिष्ठ नेता का. अमरजीत कौर ने मोदी सरकार पर हमला बोलते हुए कहा कि आज मेहनतकश वर्ग सरकार की नीतियों से परेशान व दुखी है। उन्होंने कहा कि बिजली जैसे अति महत्वपूर्ण विभाग को भी मोदी सरकार निजी हाथों में देने पर आमादा है, जिसका डटकर विरोध करने की आवश्यकता है। उन्होंने कहा कि बैंकिंग, बीमा एवं प्रतिरक्षा आदि क्षेत्रों में एफडीआई के लिए खोला जा रहा है, जिससे संकट और बढ़ेगा। उन्होंने कहा कि स्वामीनाथन आयोग की सिफारिशें लागू न होने के कारण रोजाना 54 किसान आत्महत्याएं कर रहे हैं, लेकिन सरकार



सुनने को तैयार नहीं है। उन्होंने कहा कि सरकार जाती एवं धर्म के नाम पर मेहनतकशों की एकता तोड़ने के लगातार प्रयास कर रही है, जिसमें उसे सफलता भी हासिल हो रही है। उन्होंने बिजली कर्मचारी व इंजीनियरों के आंदोलन का पुरजोर समर्थन करते हुए आंदोलन तेज करने का आह्वान किया।

प्रस्ताव पर इलैक्ट्रीसिटी इम्प्लाइज फैडरेशन ऑफ इंडिया के अध्यक्ष का. के ओ हबीब, उपप्रधान सुभाष लाम्बा, ऑल इंडिया फैडरेशन ऑफ इलैक्ट्रीसिटी इम्प्लाइज के महासचिव मोहन शर्मा, ऑल इंडिया पॉवर इंजीनियर फैडरेशन के महासचिव सी रतनाकर राव, ऑल इंडिया पॉवर फैडरेशन के महासचिव समर सिन्हा, रमेश शर्मा, ऑल इंडिया पॉवर डिप्लोमा इंजीनियर

एसोसिएशन के महासचिव जी. के. वैष्णव व टीएनईबीपीडब्ल्यू के प्रधान रतनाकर सभापति आदि नेताओं ने संबोधित किया।

क्या थी बिजली कर्मचारियों एवं इंजीनियरों की प्रमुख मांगें :

1. बिजली कानून-2003 के बाद बिजली सेवाओं पर पड़े विपरीत प्रभावों की समीक्षा की जाए।
2. बिजली कर्मचारियों और इंजीनियरों के साथ लंबित चर्चा तक जन विरोधी एवं कर्मचारी विरोधी बिजली संशोधन बिल-2014 पर रोक लगाई जाए।
3. भारत सरकार के साथ-साथ राज्य सरकारों को 17 से 18 नवम्बर के बीच बिजली की वर्तमान स्थिति व भविष्य के परिदृश्य पर सम्पन्न हुए राष्ट्रीय सेमिनार की सिफारिशों को लागू किया जाए।
4. माननीय सुप्रीम कोर्ट के “समान काम के लिए समान वेतनमान” के आदेश को लागू किया जाए।
5. ऑपरेशन व मेनटेनेंस के स्थाई काम के लिए अस्थाई कर्मचारियों की भर्ती पर रोक लगाई जाए तथा पहले से लगे सभी प्रकार के अस्थाई कर्मचारियों की नौकरी को पक्का किया जाए।
6. जनवरी, 2004 के बाद बिजली क्षेत्र में भर्ती हुए सभी कर्मचारियों के लिए पुरानी पेंशन नीति बहाल की जाए।
7. बिजली क्षेत्र में जोखिमपूर्ण कार्य करने वाले कर्मचारियों के लिए सुरक्षा के पुख्ता प्रबन्ध किए जाएं।
8. बिजली उत्पादन के प्राकृतिक संसाधनों को पूंजीपतियों को देना बंद किया जाए।
9. भारत के बिजली क्षेत्र में विनिवेश को बंद किया जाए।
10. बिजली के अधिकार को मानव अधिकार बनाते हुए उपभोक्ताओं को 24 घंटे वहनीय दरों पर बिजली दी जाए।

Gujarat's Rs 20,000 crore gas scam and malfunctioning EVMs: Are they connected?

Post election results in Uttar Pradesh and Punjab this year and, more recently, the ongoing campaigning for Gujarat assembly polls, have raised two very pertinent national issues affecting the freedom and rights of every citizen of the country.

1. **GSPC SCAM:** CAG reported Rs 20000 crore loss to Gujarat State Petroleum Corporation Ltd (GSPC) during the time of Narendra Modi as the chief minister of Gujarat. Congress has alleged a scam as the party targeted Modi and the companies that were selected arbitrarily. The biggest beneficiary from the so called Gujarat Gas Scam was one Barbados /Mauritius based company "**Geo Global Resources**".

2. **Allegations of EVM Tampering:** Unending allegations by all parties except the BJP have been raised questioning the integrity and credibility of the Electronic Voting Machines also known as EVMs. More than the Election Commission, the BJP has been defending the infallibility of the EVM.

Janta Ka Reporter has been looking into the ownership patterns of both the **Geo Global Resources** and the EVM microchip manufacturing company in USA. Our report raises questions about whether the beneficiaries of the GSPC scam and those responsible for manufacturing the microchips for India's EVMs are connected.

GSPC Scam through Geo Global Resources leads to Microchip Inc, USA

As per the CAG report, the exploration activities undertaken by the Gujarat State Petroleum Corporation on KG Basin led to a government loss of over Rs 20,000 crore and did not result in any fruitful oil production. Geo-Global Resources (formerly a social media and publishing company known as Suite101.com) was a private company listed in Barbados and based in Ahmedabad when it was taken as the private exploratory partner without any transparent bidding. In return to its services, it was also offered 10% stake in GSPC.

Geo-Global Resources, without any previous credentials and proven track record, was co-opted while ONGC, despite being more qualified for the same role,

was ignored. Congress has alleged that Geo-Global Resources was a fraud company, which was instrumental in siphoning off millions of dollars of public money in the name of exploration activity and consultation.

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Hitting out at Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Congress leader, Jairam Ramesh, had said last year that Geo Global was chosen "secretly" without following any transparent procedure and contrary to established principles.

Quoting the CAG report Ramesh had said, "This crony capitalism has been taken to another height of plunder of public money by the Gujarat government and GSPC investing 1,734.60 crore from public exchequer on behalf of GeoGlobal Resources without recovering a single penny."

ONGC, which was overlooked in favour of a start-up company Geo Global Resources, is now being asked to take over the entire losses of GSPC. Incidentally, the Centre's BJP government had recently appointed its fiery spokesperson Sambit Patra as one of the directors of ONGC.

We tracked the details of Geo Global Resources, India as a company. Geo Global Resources (India) was found to be listed in Barbados with its parent company Geo Global Resources Inc, headquartered in Calgary, Canada. Interestingly, Geo Global Resources Inc is a subsidiary of Key Capital Corp, a financial group in USA. The ownership pattern of Key Corp and Microchip Inc, USA that manufactures microchips for the EVMs used in India is strikingly similar.

As per the details available, one of the manufacturers of EVM Micro-Controller is The Microchip Inc, USA. It is headed by an NRI Billionaire Steve Sanghi, who hails from Haryana and has a Bachelor of Science degree in Electronics and Communication from Punjab University. The President and Chief Operating Officer of the same company is another NRI, Ganesh Moorthy, who holds a B.Sc. degree in physics from the University of Bombay.

Steve Sanghi of Microchip Inc, USA

Not only does Microchip Inc supply the microchip used in Indian EVMs but it also writes the software programme on the microchip before sealing it in a way that no one, not even the Election Commission or Bharat Electronics Limited and or Electronics Corporation of India Ltd can read the programme.

The Common Ownership Pattern of Key Corp and The Microchip Inc

When we went through the NASDAQ website, it showed a startling similarity between the owners of both companies. This leads us to a very dangerous conclusion that there may exist a strong possibility of Multinational Companies and Financial Institutions controlling the Indian democracy through EVMs.

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Geo Global Resources has Key Capital Group as its parent organisation. The institutional ownership pattern of Key Capital Corp, when checked on the NASDAQ website, reveals that global financial giants that own Key Corp also own ‘The Microchip Inc’ which is headed by two NRIs. Therefore, questions may arise if the beneficiary of GSPC Scam indeed happens to be the owners of EVM chip manufacturing company. If true, this is a scary proposition considering widespread speculation that EVMs are somehow manipulating the results to benefit the BJP in recent elections since 2014.

Importance of EVM microchip

The EVM machine has two units: Control Unit and Ballot Unit. Control Unit is the computer which has its CPU built inside the Microchip Controller (MCU) and the Ballot Unit is the key board. Put simply, the MCU is the brain of the EVM. The software called the Machine Code, when written over the MCU decides all its functionalities. As a security measure for EVMs’ Source Code, this MCU after getting coded is fused or burnt so that the Machine Code can never be read back and duplicated or modified.

Election Commission (EC) developed its Software Programme with the help of few BEL and ECIL scientists with un-impeachable integrity, at least that’s what the poll body claims. The EC has time and again maintained that the source code of an EVM was a ‘top secret.’ It is so secretive that not even the EC has a copy. The importance of this source code is self-explanatory but if those scientists and the employees of BEL and ECIL ever breached the security protocol, the EVM is

compromised. Let’s assume that even a billion dollar bribe cannot buy these scientists and assume that EVM source code has not been compromised at this level.

EC then outsourced the procurement of the MCU or microchip to foreign vendors namely Renesas Japan and Microchip Inc, USA since no company in India had the sophisticated technology to produce microchips or MCU. However, for some reasons best known to the EC they also outsourced the task to write the source code on the microchip to these foreign vendors.

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The EC in its FAQ, published by the government’s publicity department, PIB, says, “The Software Programme Code is written in-house, by these two companies (BEL and ECIL) , not outsourced, and subjected to security procedures at factory level to maintain the highest levels of integrity. The programme is converted into **machine code** and only then given to the chip manufacturer abroad because we don’t have the capability of producing semi-conductor microchips within the country.”

It is here that the Election Commission gives a misleading declaration and false assurance. Because what the EC doesn’t say is that the programme code, which is written in binary language, can be read and tinkered by the microchip manufacturing companies. These manufacturing companies abroad can tinker with the programme in order to suit the interests of a certain political party.

These are some of the probabilities of how the programme codes can be tinkered with.

- Transfer a percentage of votes from other candidates in favour of one political party 24 hours after the machine has been turned off
- Transfer a percentage of votes from other candidates in favour of one political party once the machine has been turned on after votes having been cast

Since the microchip manufacturing companies in the US and Japan deliver microchips in a sealed condition, even the EC is not in a position to verify if its original programme code, prepared by its scientists at BEL and ECIL have been modified.

The EC has till date has ALSO not explained if it ever performed any background checks on Sanghi and Moorthy. The disturbing similarity in the ownership pattern between the beneficiaries of the Gujarat’s gas scam and the companies that produced microchips will now cast a shadow of doubt on the authenticity of India’s EVMs.

DRAFT RESOLUTION FOR NORTHERN REGIONAL CONVENTION *at Chandigarh on 28TH December, 2017*

This convention of NCCOEEE, Northern Region taking place at Bhakna Bhawan Auditorium Chandigarh on this 28th December, 2017 notes with grave concern that the situation in power sector is not showing any indication towards improvement. Convention notes with utter dismay that all the policies and steps are being adopted in power sector goes in favour of unscrupulous business community got / getting back door entry in this sector, so far developed with public exchequer, in the name of so called reforms.

This convention pays respectful homage to the workers and engineers sacrificed their lives in Unchar power station of NTPC, Most of the workers killed were engaged through the contractors became victim of unsafe work practice of NTPC, who are operating the plants at the cost of exploitation of contract workers.

This convention of NCCOEEE, the broad based platform of almost all the national Federations of Electricity Workers Employees and Engineers observed the deliberations and outcome of National Seminar on Power – “Present and future perspectives” held at Bengaluru on 7th and 18th November, 2017. The Convention endorses the concern and views expressed by the experts in seminar.

Power Ministers Conference held at Delhi on 7th December, has declared a lot of election propaganda like Electricity for all willing households by December, 2018, 24 × 7 seamless supply of electricity for all by March 2019 but suppressed the hard fact that cost of supply has escalated with implementation of Electricity Act 2003. Scope of Cross Subsidy will be reduced and eliminated with adoption of Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2014. That simply stands, well off people will be enjoying cheaper electricity at the cost of poor people, need to pay more for each unit of energy consumption.

NCCOEEE logically opposed every step towards the procedure of enactment Electricity Act 2003 since 2000, while Government of India drew a rosy picture of improvement of efficiency, extension of competition and reduction of cost of supply of Electricity with private participation in the Electricity Industry. Situation, as

on today is being felt by all concerned that Electricity consumers in general have not yet got any benefit from the imposition of the electricity Act, 2003. Revenue potential cities and industrial hubs are being transferred to private utilities, who are realizing highest cost of supply. Odisha, being the fore runner in the Electricity reform had to cut its relation with Ambani owned Reliance Group of Companies. State owned DISCOMS are allocated commercially unviable areas, while franchises are engaged in profitable cities. At the time of implementation of Electricity Act, 2003 accumulated loss of all the SEBs were well below Rs. 30,000 Crores. Present accumulated loss of all the DISCOMS exceeded Rs. 4.3 lakh Crores besides their debt burden to financial institutions exceeding 5 lakh Crores. NCCOEEE demanded number of times to Government of India to conduct detailed study on aftermath of implementation of Electricity Act, 2003. Commitment of prime Minister and all the Power Ministers towards similar study went into vain. UDAY introduced by Government of India has only assured escalation of tariff towards repayment of debt burden of the DISCOMS. This convention likes to draw attention of the people of our country in this score.

On the above background Government of India tabled in the Parliament the Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2014 towards introduction of further anti people measures in the electricity industry on 19th December, 2014. In practice, right to Electricity of common people of India will be snatched away, at the event of the Bill is passed by the Parliament. More than 20 state Governments have opposed this draconian Bill. Former Power Minister in series of meetings with NCCOEEE leadership committed to modify the clauses of the draft Bill taking into objections of the State Governments and Electricity Employees and Engineers. But in practice, the commitment was not honoured.

This convention expresses its critical concern over the poor growth of Energy demand of the country, which is a perfect indicator of Economy. More than 50% of installed generating capacity is kept idle due to poor demand, while 30 Crore people of India do not have access to electricity.

Game of speculation, gambling and cheating has taken its inevitable course in power sector in the era of reforms. Government gifted Odisha DISCOMS to Reliance whose license has been cancelled OERC in Feb, 2015. Role of Ambanis in Sasan coal scam and COD episode unveiled a tip of iceberg. Debt-laden Reliance Infrastructure has sold its electricity generation, transmission and distribution business in Mumbai run under the Reliance Energy brand to Adani Transmission Ltd in an all-cash deal valued at Rs 18, 800 Crore. Reliance has not paid Electricity duty to the tune of Rs. 1452 Crores to Maharashtra Government and threw the burden on Adani, infamous for deep sea buying of imported coal to inflate cost of generation, and expertise to swallow public exchequer courtesy his friendship with Modi.

Voice of news media has been gagged. Corrupt practices of business tycons in the arena of Coal, Gas and other resources of Electricity published in the Media is suppressed with the influence of interested lobbies, Corruption will be continued but publishing the news will be proscribed. The episode of removal of editor of nationwide famous journal has unveiled the fluidic status of India democracy.

This convention expresses high applaud to the role played by All India Power Engineers Federation, a major constituent of NCCOEEE in the legal battle against the private players, trying to grab unlawful tariff hike on this or that plea. Role of regulatory bodies in the states and central barring rare exception is also very much deplorable, Unless Apex Court of India nullified the verdict of APTEL, cheating of consumers would have continued decades together.

This convention of NCCOEEE Northern Region firmly puts following demands to Government of India as well all the State Governments and Legislators and Parliamentarians:

- 1) Implementation of Electricity Act, 2003 and adverse effects there upon should be reviewed with the target of integrating the state owned Power sector.
- 2) Complete hold upon enactment of the anti worker and anti consumer provisions of proposed Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2014.
- 3) Stop enactment of proposed Electricity (Amendment) Bill 2014 in Parliament without prior discussion with the representatives of organisations of electricity employees and engineers as assured

by the former MIC Power, Government of India in several meetings which took place between Power Minister, its officials and leaders of NCCOEEE in 2015 and 2016.

- 4) Government of India as well State Governments should consider the recommendation of the National Seminar on power –“Present and future Perspectives” held at Bengaluru on 17th and 18th November, 2017 to save the public owned Power sector from total bankruptcy.
- 5) Comply Apex Court order for ‘Equal Work’ and put complete hold upon engagement of contract workers in regular operation and maintenance jobs pending regularization of existing contractor workers.
- 6) Implement old pension scheme for all power employees recruited after unbundling / April, 2004.
- 7) Ensure safe working condition in risk prone jobs in Electricity industry.
- 8) Stop transfer of natural energy resources to the hands of private capitalists.
- 9) Stop disinvestment in Energy Sector PSUs of India
- 10) Ensure ‘Right to Energy as Human Right’.

This convention urges all NCCOEEE constituents to conduct all regional and state convention by January, 2018 followed by a massive rally and demonstration in Delhi during the budget session of the Parliament to oppose Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2014 and demands of the Electricity consumers, workers and engineers.

This Convention, resolves to declare nationwide strike / work boycott in all Power installations and electricity establishments of the country on the day of placing The Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2014 for adoption in any House of The Parliament.

The Convention also puts clarion call to people of the country from all walks of life to extend support for the struggle action of the electricity workers, employees and engineers against Government’s action towards curtailment of right to electricity of the poor people of India.

**Long Live NCCOEEE.
Long Live Unity of Electricity consumers,
Employees and Engineers.
Save Public Sector, Save Nation.**

जनविरोधी बिजली संशोधन बिल-2014 के खिलाफ कर्मचारियों व इंजीनियरों के उत्तरी क्षेत्रीय सम्मेलन में राष्ट्रव्यापी आन्दोलन करने का ऐलान किया : सुभाष लाम्बा

नेशनल कोर्डिनेशन कमेटी ऑफ इलैक्ट्रीसिटी इम्पलाईज एण्ड इंजीनियर्स का उत्तरी क्षेत्रीय सम्मेलन 28 दिसम्बर, 2017 को भकना भवन, चंडीगढ़ में आयोजित किया गया। सम्मेलन में दिल्ली, राजस्थान, हरियाणा, पंजाब, हिमाचल प्रदेश, उत्तराखंड, उत्तर प्रदेश, यूटी चंडीगढ़ व जम्मू कश्मीर के बिजली कर्मचारियों व इंजीनियरों ने शिरकत की। इस अवसर पर सर्वसम्मति से पारित किए गए प्रस्ताव में बिजली संशोधन बिल-2014 को जन एवं कर्मचारी विरोधी और निजी कंपनियों को भारी मुनाफा

पहुंचाने का बिल करार देते हुए देखा गया। पी आन्दोलन छेड़ने का ऐलान किया गया। आन्दोलन के लिए गए निर्णय के तहत 21 जनवरी, 2018 तक सभी राज्यों में कर्मचारियों, जूनियर इंजीनियरों व



इंजीनियरों के संयुक्त सम्मेलन आयोजित किए जाएंगे। जिसमें बिल के गरीब ग्रामीण क्षेत्र के उपभोक्ताओं, किसानों व कामगारों पर पड़ने वाले दुष्प्रभावों की जानकारी दी जाएगी। आन्दोलन के अगले चरण में बजट सत्र के दौरान बिजली कर्मचारी व इंजीनियर संसद के समक्ष प्रदर्शन करेंगे। इसके बावजूद भी केन्द्र सरकार ने जनविरोधी बिजली संशोधन बिल-2014 को पारित करवाने के प्रयास किए, तो कर्मचारी व इंजीनियर बिना किसी और नोटिस दिए राष्ट्रव्यापी हड़ताल एवं कार्य बहिष्कार करेंगे। सम्मेलन की अध्यक्षता ऑल इंडिया पॉवर इंजीनियर एसोसिएशन के चेयरमैन शैलेन्द्र दूबे, इलैक्ट्रीसिटी इम्पलाईज फैडरेशन ऑफ इंडिया के महासचिव एवं नेशनल कोर्डिनेशन कमेटी ऑफ इलैक्ट्रीसिटी इम्पलाईज एण्ड इंजीनियर्स के कन्वीनर

का. पी एन चौधरी, ऑल इंडिया फैडरेशन ऑफ इलैक्ट्रीसिटी इम्पलाईज के डिप्टी जनरल सैक्रेट्री मौहम्मद समीउल्ला व ऑल इंडिया फैडरेशन ऑफ पॉवर डिप्लोमा इंजीनियर्स के डिप्टी सैक्रेट्री जनरल देवेन्द्र सिंह ने संयुक्त तौर पर की। इलैक्ट्रीसिटी इम्पलाईज फैडरेशन ऑफ इंडिया के उपाध्यक्ष सुभाष लाम्बा ने सम्मेलन में आन्दोलन का प्रस्ताव प्रस्तुत करते हुए कहा कि इलैक्ट्रीसिटी एक्ट-2003 के बाद ऊर्जा क्षेत्र में किए गए तमाम सुधार बुरी तरह विफल रहे हैं। इन विफलताओं

से सबक लेने की बजाय केन्द्र सरकार बिजली संशोधन बिल-2014 को आगामी बजट सत्र में पारित कराने पर आमादा है। जिसमें बिजली आपूर्ति करने के लाईसेंस कई निजी कंपनियों को देने की व्यवस्था है।

उन्होंने कहा कि यदि यह बिल पारित हो गया तो, बिजली आपूर्ति करने वाली निजी कंपनियां मुनाफे वाले बड़े उपभोक्ताओं को बिजली देकर भारी मुनाफा कमाएंगी। जबकि सरकारी क्षेत्र की बिजली आपूर्ति कंपनी ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों, किसानों, गरीबों और आम उपभोक्ताओं को बिजली आपूर्ति कर केवल घाटे में रहेंगी। जिसके कारण सरकारी बिजली आपूर्ति कंपनियों का दीवाला निकल जाएगा। उन्होंने कहा कि बिल के प्रावधानों के तहत क्रास सब्सिडी खत्म होगी, जिसके कारण आम उपभोक्ताओं व किसानों का टैरिफ बढ़ेगा और बिजली इनकी पहुंच से बाहर हो जाएगी। उन्होंने कहा कि बिजली आपूर्ति का कार्य निजी कंपनियां करेंगी तो, इस क्षेत्र में लगे कर्मचारियों पर छंटनी की तलवार लटकी रहेगी। उन्होंने सम्मेलन में आए कर्मचारियों व

इंजीनियरों के प्रतिनिधियों से जनविरोधी बिजली संशोधन बिल-2014 के खिलाफ निर्णायक आंदोलन छेड़ने का आह्वान किया।

ऑल इंडिया पॉवर इंजीनियर एसोसिएशन के चेयरमैन इंजीनियर शैलेन्द्र दूबे ने कहा कि नेशनल कोर्डिनेशन कमेटी ऑफ इलैक्ट्रीसिटी इम्पलाईज एण्ड इंजीनियर्स वर्ष 2014 से ही बिजली संशोधन बिल-2014 का विरोध कर रहे थे। उन्होंने कहा कि कमेटी की पूर्व ऊर्जा मंत्री पीयूष गोयल से इस बारे में

2015-2016 में कई बार बातचीत हुई। पूर्व ऊर्जा मंत्री ने कमेटी द्वारा उठाए गए कई बिन्दुओं से सहमत होते हुए बिजली संशोधन बिल-2014 में तदानुरूप संशोधन करने के बाद ही पारित करवाने के लिए



संसद के पटल पर रखने का आश्वासन दिया। उन्होंने कहा कि बड़े खेद का विषय है कि केन्द्र सरकार की ओर से आज तक कोई संशोधित प्रस्ताव कमेटी के पास नहीं आया है। अब ऐसा प्रतीत होता है कि लगभग 20 प्रांतों की राय व 25 लाख बिजली कामगारों व इंजीनियरों के विरोध की अनदेखी करते हुए केन्द्र सरकार बिल को बजट सत्र में पारित कराने पर आमादा है। उन्होंने ऐलान किया कि यह सम्मेलन ऐसे किसी भी जनविरोधी कदम का पुरजोर विरोध करने का संकल्प लेता है। उन्होंने कहा कि तथाकथित सुधारों के नाम पर देश में सबसे पहले उड़ीसा बिजली बोर्ड का विघटन किया गया। उड़ीसा में चारों विद्युत कंपनियों को निजी क्षेत्र को सौंप दिया गया। इनमें एक कंपनी अमेरिका की आईएस कंपनी थी, जो साल भर बाद ही वापिस भाग गई। तीन वितरण कंपनियां रिलायंस को दी गई थी, जिसके लाईसेंस उड़ीसा विद्युत नियामक

आयोग द्वारा फरवरी, 2015 में रद्द कर दिए गए थे। लाईसेंस रद्द करने का मुख्य कारण यह बताया गया कि रिलायंस लाईन लॉसिज घटाने और बिजली व्यवस्था में सुधार करने में पूरी तरह विफल रहा है। रिलायंस ने लाईसेंस रद्द करने के विरोध में माननीय सुप्रीम कोर्ट तक मुकदमा लड़ा, किंतु माननीय सुप्रीम कोर्ट ने भी रिलायंस की याचिका खारिज कर दी। उन्होंने कहा कि अत्यंत खेद का विषय है कि इतना सबकुछ होने के बावजूद

उड़ीसा में बिजली वितरण कंपनियों का निजीकरण करने की प्रक्रिया पुनः चलाई जा रही है। उन्होंने कहा कि कुल मिलाकर निजीकरण का प्रयोग दिल्ली में पूरी तरह विफल रहा और आम जनता निजी कंपनियों के

मनमानेपन से परेशान है। नेशनल कोर्डिनेशन कमेटी ऑफ इलैक्ट्रीसिटी इम्पलाईज एण्ड इंजीनियर्स के कन्वीनर व आईएफआई के राष्ट्रीय महासचिव पी एन चौधरी ने सम्मेलन में बोलते हुए इस बात पर चिंता प्रकट की, कि केन्द्र और राज्य सरकारों की निजी घरानों पर अति निर्भरता की राष्ट्रीय ऊर्जा नीति के चलते आम लोगों के लिए बिजली महंगी होती जा रही है, जबकि जनता के पैसे से बने बिजली नेटवर्क के सहारे ही निजी घराने अरबों-खरबों रुपए का मुनाफा कमा रहे हैं। उन्होंने कहा कि केन्द्र व राज्य की निजी घरानों के प्रति अति निर्भरता की गलत ऊर्जा नीति के चलते बिजली वितरण कंपनियों का कुल घाटा 4.3 लाख करोड़ रुपए और कर्जा 5 लाख करोड़ रुपए तक पहुंच गया है। जबकि इलैक्ट्रीसिटी एक्ट-2003 बनने से पहले सभी राज्य बिजली बोर्डों का कुल घाटा लगभग 30 लाख करोड़ रुपए था। उन्होंने कहा कि राज्य बिजली बोर्डों

का विघटना यह कहकर किया था कि बोर्ड घाटे में चल रहे हैं। किन्तु विघटन के बाद बिजली वितरण कंपनियों के लगातार बढ़ रहे घाटे से स्वयं स्पष्ट हो जाता है कि तथाकथित सुधारों के नाम पर चल रही ऊर्जा नीति पूरी तरह विफल साबित हुई है। उन्होंने कहा कि अगर बहुमत के बल पर केन्द्र सरकार उक्त बिल को पारित करवाने में सफल रही, तो जनता के खून-पसीने की गाढ़ी कमाई से खड़े किए गए बिजली वितरण ढांचे को निजी कंपनियां मामूली शुल्क देकर भारी मुनाफे के लिए प्रयोग करेंगी। उन्होंने कहा कि तमाम दावों के बावजूद देश में उत्पादन

क्षमता का आधा भी उत्पादन नहीं हो रहा। यह इसलिए किया जा रहा है, ताकि निजी कंपनियां बिजली उत्पादन कर भारी मुनाफा बटोर सकें। उन्होंने कहा कि तमाम दावों के



बावजूद करीब 30 करोड़ घरों में आज भी बिजली नहीं है। उन्होंने कहा कि पूर्व ऊर्जा मंत्री पीयूष गोयल के पास कमेटी के सुझावों को सुनने तक का समय नहीं था और जब कोच्चि (केरल) में ऊर्जा मंत्रियों के सम्मेलन में उनका घेराव किया तो उन्हें घंटों भर बातचीत करने के लिए मजबूर होना पड़ा। इसके बाद दिल्ली में हुई बैठक में बिल से कई प्रावधानों को हटाने का आश्वासन दिया, लेकिन उस पर कोई अमल नहीं हुआ। जिसके कारण ही कमेटी को पुनः आन्दोलन पर आने पर मजबूर होना पड़ा है। ऑल इंडिया पावर इंजीनियर्स एसोसिएशन के वरिष्ठ नेता इंजीनियर पदमजीत सिंह ने कहा कि हाल ही में रिलायंस ने मुंबई में बिजली के वितरण, प्रेषण और उत्पादन का

अपना पूरा नेटवर्क अदानी पावर को 18,800 करोड़ रुपए में सौंप दिया है। जबकि रिलायंस ने 1452 करोड़ रुपए की इलैक्ट्रीसिटी ड्यूटी महाराष्ट्र राज्य को नहीं दी है। उन्होंने कहा कि ऐसा लगता है कि आम जनता का ध्यान हटाने हेतु मुंबई में यह सब ड्रामा निजी घरानों की मिलीभगत का ही एक पेज है। उन्होंने कहा कि निजीकरण के नाम पर औद्योगिक एवं व्यवसायिक क्षेत्रों के अधिक राजस्व वाले शहरों के विद्युत वितरण को निजी फ्रेंचाइजी को सौंपा गया है, किन्तु निजी घरानों की लूट की नीति के चलते यह प्रयोग भी असफल हो

गया है। औरंगाबाद, जलगांव, उज्जैन, ग्वालियर, सागर और भागलपुर के फ्रेंचाइजी करार रद्द किए जा चुके हैं और शेष अन्य रद्द किए जाने की प्रक्रिया में है। ऑल इंडिया फैडरेशन ऑफ इलैक्ट्रीसिटी इम्प्लायर्स के डिप्टी

जनरल सैक्रेट्री मोहम्मद शमीउल्ला ने सम्मेलन को सम्बोधित करते हुए केन्द्र सरकार पर जमकर हमला बोला। उन्होंने कहा कि सरकार जो हसीन सपने देश की जनता को दिखाकर सत्ता में आई थी, उन पर अमल न होने के कारण जनता में निराशा व असंतोष है। उन्होंने कहा कि बिजली जैसे अति महत्वपूर्ण क्षेत्र को भी पूरी तरह निजी हाथों में सौंपने की तैयारी की जा रही है। उन्होंने आरोप लगाया कि केन्द्र सरकार मेहनतकशों की एकता तोड़ने और सरकार की नव उदारिकरण की नीतियों के खिलाफ उभर रहे आन्दोलनों को कमजोर करने के लिए जाति एवं धर्म के नाम पर ध्रुवीकरण किया जा रहा है। उन्होंने बिजली संशोधन बिल-2014 को जनविरोधी बताते हुए सम्मेलन में पेश किए

गए प्रस्ताव का समर्थन किया। ऑल इंडिया फैडरेशन ऑफ पावर डिप्लोमा इंजीनियर के डिप्टी सैक्रेट्री जनरल देवेन्द्र सिंह ने कहा कि हर्ष का विषय है कि बिजली संशोधन बिल-2014 के संभावित खतरों से भांपकर बिजली कर्मचारी व इंजीनियर एक मोर्चे पर आए हैं। उन्होंने सम्मेलन को सफल बताते हुए कहा कि पूरे देश के डिप्लोमा होल्डर जूनियर इंजीनियर इस बिल के खिलाफ जो भी निर्णय नेशनल कोर्डिनेशन कमेटी लेगी, उसको पूरी तरह से लागू किया जाएगा।

सम्मेलन में इलैक्ट्रीसिटी इम्प्लाइज फैडरेशन ऑफ इंडिया के उपाध्यक्ष सुभाष लाम्बा द्वारा प्रस्तुत किए गए प्रस्ताव पर उत्तराखंड पावर इंजीनियर एसोसिएशन के प्रधान एम सी गुप्ता, हरियाणा के महासचिव के के मलिक, यूपी पावर इंजीनियर एसोसिएशन के महासचिव राजीव सिंह, दिल्ली विद्युत बोर्ड इंजीनियर एसोसिएशन के प्रधान पी के राँय, टैक्नीकल सर्विसेज यूनियन पंजाब के प्रधान कुलदीप सिंह खन्ना, ऑल हरियाणा पावर कॉरपोरेशनज वर्कर यूनियन के महासचिव व ईईएफआई के सचिव नरेश कुमार, मिनिस्ट्रीयल स्टाफ एसोसिएशन पंजाब के महासचिव व ईईएफआई के उपाध्यक्ष कार्जवेन्द्र सिंह, हिमाचल प्रदेश स्टेट इलैक्ट्रीसिटी बोर्ड इम्प्लाइज यूनियन के प्रधान कुलदीप सिंह, जम्मू कश्मीर पावर डिपार्टमेंट कर्मचारी यूनियन के प्रधान का. मोहम्मद मकबूल, यूटी चंडीगढ़ पावरमैन यूनियन के ज्वाइंट सैक्रेट्री ध्यान सिंह, पावर डिप्लोमा इंजीनियर फैडरेशन हरियाणा के उपप्रधान अभिमन्यु धनखड़ आदि ने सम्बोधित किया। उक्त तमाम पदाधिकारियों ने प्रस्तावित आंदोलन का पुरजोर समर्थन किया। यूटी चंडीगढ़ पावरमैन यूनियन के जनरल सैक्रेट्री गोपालदत्त जोशी ने सम्मेलन में आए सभी पदाधिकारियों व राष्ट्रीय नेताओं का धन्यवाद किया और सम्मेलन में लिए गए आन्दोलन के निर्णयों को मजबूती से लागू करने का आह्वान किया। सम्मेलन में हिमाचल प्रदेश स्टेट इलैक्ट्रीसिटी बोर्ड इम्प्लाइज यूनियन के महासचिव हीरालाल वर्मा, एमएसयू के पूर्व महासचिव हरभजन सिंह, टीएसयू पंजाब के महासचिव जैन सिंह, ऑल हरियाणा पावर कॉरपोरेशनज वर्कर यूनियन के डिप्टी जनरल सैक्रेट्री रमेशचंद्र, यूटी चंडीगढ़ पावरमैन यूनियन

के प्रधान सतपाल सिंह, वरिष्ठ उपप्रधान विजय सिंह व उपप्रधान देशराज आदि भी उपस्थित थे।

क्या हैं बिजली कर्मचारियों व इंजीनियरों की मांगें : -

1. इलेक्ट्रिसिटी एक्ट-2003 के दुष्प्रभावों पर पुनर्विचार कर बिजली निगमों का एकीकरण किया जाये और तत्काल प्रभाव से निजीकरण, फ्रेंचाइसी पर रोक लगाई जाये।
2. जन विरोधी और कामगार विरोधी इलेक्ट्रिसिटी (अमेंडमेंट) बिल 2014 को संसद से पारित कराने की प्रक्रिया पूरी तरह रोक दी जाये।
3. इलेक्ट्रिसिटी (अमेंडमेंट) बिल-2014 के कर्मचारी विरोधी एवं उपभोक्ता विरोधी प्राविधानों पर नेशनल कोआर्डिनेशन कमेटी ऑफ इलेक्ट्रिसिटी एम्प्लाइज एण्ड इंजीनियर्स (एनसीसीओईईई) से विस्तृत वार्ता की जाये।
4. 17 एवं 18 नवम्बर 2017 को बेंगलूरु में ऑल इण्डिया पावर इंजीनियर्स फेडरेशन द्वारा पावर सेक्टर पर आयोजित नेशनल सेमीनार के निर्णयों और निष्कर्षों के अनुसार ऊर्जा क्षेत्र में वास्तविक सुधार हेतु केन्द्र और राज्य सरकार समुचित कदम उठाये, सेमीनार के निष्कर्षों का राष्ट्रीय स्तर पर पालन किया जाये और बिजली के क्षेत्र में सुधार हेतु बिजली विशेषज्ञों की सलाह ली जानी चाहिए।
5. सुप्रीम कोर्ट के निर्णय के अनुसार 'समान कार्य के लिए समान वेतन' की नीति लागू की जाये तथा नियमित प्रकृति के कार्यों हेतु नियमित भर्ती की जाये।
6. विद्युत परिषदों के विघटन के बाद या 2004 के बाद भर्ती हुए सभी कर्मियों के लिए पुरानी पेंशन प्रणाली लागू की जाये।
7. बिजली के क्षेत्र में कार्य कर रहे कामगारों की सुरक्षा के लिए सुरक्षा मापदण्डों का कड़ाई से पालन किया जाये।
8. ऊर्जा के प्राकृतिक संसाधनों को निजी घरानों को सौंपने की प्रक्रिया बंद की जाये।
9. बिजली के क्षेत्र में निजीकरण / विनिवेश पूरी तरह बंद किया जाये।
10. बिजली का अधिकार मानवीय अधिकार बनाया जाये।

पूर्वी क्षेत्रीय सम्मेलन के लिए प्रस्ताव का मसौदा 30 जनवरी, 2018, पटना, बिहार।

नेशनल कोआर्डिनेशन कमेटी ऑफ इलेक्ट्रिसिटी एम्प्लाइज एण्ड इंजीनियर्स (एनसीसीओईईई) का पूर्वी क्षेत्र का 30 जनवरी, 2018 को पटना में चल रहा सम्मलेन, बिजली के क्षेत्र में विगत 20 वर्षों से तथाकथित सुधारों के नाम पर चल रहे जनविरोधी प्रतिगामी प्रयोगों पर गंभीर चिंता प्रकट करता है। नेशनल कोआर्डिनेशन कमेटी ऑफ इलेक्ट्रिसिटी एम्प्लाइज एण्ड इंजीनियर्स देश में बिजली के क्षेत्र में कार्यरत कर्मचारियों, मजदूरों, जूनियर इंजीनियरों और इंजीनियरों की एकमात्र राष्ट्रीय समन्वय समिति है, जिससे 25 लाख से अधिक बिजली कामगार और इंजीनियर जुड़े हुए हैं। सम्मलेन इस बात पर चिंता व्यक्त करता है कि केन्द्र और राज्य सरकारों की निजी घरानों पर अति निर्भरता की ऊर्जा नीति के चलते आम लोगों के लिए बिजली महंगी होती जा रही है, जबकि जनता के पैसे से बने बिजली नेटवर्क के सहारे ही निजी घराने अरबों-खरबों रुपये का मुनाफा कमा रहे हैं। केन्द्र और राज्य की निजी घरानों पर अति निर्भरता की गलत ऊर्जा नीति के चलते बिजली वितरण कंपनियों का कुल घाटा 4.3 लाख करोड़ रु और कर्जा 5 लाख करोड़ रु तक पहुँच गया है। जबकि इलेक्ट्रिसिटी एक्ट-2003 बनने के समय कुल घाटा लगभग 30 हजार करोड़ रु था। बिजली बोर्डों का विघटन घाटे के नाम पर किया गया था, किन्तु विघटन के बाद लगातार बढ़ रहे घाटे से स्वयं स्पष्ट हो जाता है कि तथाकथित सुधारों के नाम पर चल रही ऊर्जा नीति पूरी तरह विफल साबित हुई है। अतः इस पर तत्काल पुनर्विचार किया जाना चाहिए।

सम्मलेन विगत माह ऊँचाहार में हुई दुर्भाग्यपूर्ण दुर्घटना में प्राण गवाने वाले कर्मचारियों और इंजीनियरों को श्रद्धा सुमन अर्पित करते हुए मांग करता है कि सुरक्षा मापदण्डों के प्रति ढील देकर किसी भी कीमत पर बिजली घरों को नहीं चलाया जाना चाहिए। ऊँचाहार में मृत अधिकांश कामगार ठेकेदार के माध्यम से कार्य कर रहे संविदा कामगार थे, जिनकी जान लापरवाही के चलते गयी जो निंदनीय है।

विगत 17 एवं 18 नवम्बर 2017 को बेंगलूरु में ऑल इण्डिया पॉवर इंजीनियर्स फेडरेशन द्वारा पॉवर सेक्टर पर आयोजित नेशनल सेमीनार के निर्णयों और निष्कर्षों को पूरी तरह उचित और समयानुकूल बताते हुए सम्मलेन केन्द्र और राज्य सरकारों से मांग करता है कि सेमीनार के निष्कर्षों का राष्ट्रीय स्तर पर पालन किया जाना चाहिए और बिजली के क्षेत्र में सुधार हेतु बिजली विशेषज्ञों की सलाह ली जानी चाहिए। सम्मलेन निजी घरानों की मनमानी के विरोध में व्यापक एकजुट संघर्ष का आह्वान करते हुए ऑल इण्डिया पॉवर इंजीनियर्स फेडरेशन द्वारा इस दिशा में किये जा रहे रचनात्मक प्रयासों, खासकर रिलायंस शासन के वाणिज्यिक संचालन की गलत तारीख को सुप्रीम कोर्ट से रद्द करवाने के प्रयास की प्रशंसा करता है।

सम्मलेन विगत 7 दिसंबर को दिल्ली में हुए सभी प्रदेशों के बिजली मंत्रियों के सम्मलेन में निजी घरानों को बढ़ावा देने वाली ऊर्जा नीति और केंद्रीय विद्युत मंत्री द्वारा इलेक्ट्रिसिटी (अमेंडमेंट) बिल-2014 को आगामी बजट सत्र में पारित कराने की घोषणा पर गंभीर चिंता प्रकट करता है। ध्यान रहे कि तथाकथित सुधारों के नाम पर देश में सबसे पहले उड़ीसा बिजली बोर्ड का विघटन किया गया और उड़ीसा में चारों विद्युत वितरण कंपनियों को निजी क्षेत्र को सौंप दिया गया। इनमें एक कंपनी अमेरिका की ई ई एस कंपनी थी, जो साल भर बाद ही वापस भाग गयी। तीन वितरण कम्पनियाँ रिलायंस को दी गयी थीं, जिनके लाइसेंस उड़ीसा विद्युत नियामक आयोग द्वारा फरवरी 2015 में रद्द कर दिए गए। लाइसेंस रद्द करने का मुख्य कारण यह बताया गया कि रिलायंस लाइन लॉसेज घटाने और बिजली व्यवस्था में सुधार करने में पूरी तरह विफल रहा है। रिलायंस ने लाइसेंस रद्द करने के विरोध में सुप्रीम कोर्ट तक मुकदमा लड़ा, किन्तु सुप्रीम कोर्ट ने भी रिलायंस की याचिका खारिज कर दी। अत्यंत खेद का विषय है कि इतना सब होने के बावजूद उड़ीसा में बिजली वितरण कंपनियों का निजीकरण करने की प्रक्रिया पुनः चलायी जा रही है। देश की राजधानी दिल्ली में विद्युत बोर्ड को समाप्त कर विद्युत वितरण का सीधे निजीकरण किया गया था। दिल्ली में दो वितरण कम्पनियाँ रिलायंस के पास हैं, जबकि एक वितरण कंपनी टाटा के पास है। हर साल बिजली दरें बढ़ाने के लिए निजी कम्पनियाँ नियामक आयोग को प्रस्ताव देती हैं। निजी कम्पनियाँ बिलिंग से लेकर मीटरिंग तक भारी फर्जीवाड़ा कर रही हैं। निजी कंपनियों का सी ए जी से आडिट कराया जाये तो और बड़े घोटाले सामने आएंगे। कुल मिलाकर निजीकरण का प्रयोग दिल्ली में भी पूरी तरह विफल रहा है और आम जनता निजी कम्पनियों के मनमामेपन से परेशान है।

हाल ही में रिलायंस ने मुंबई में बिजली के वितरण, प्रेषण और उत्पादन का अपना पूरा नेटवर्क अदानी पॉवर को 18,800 करोड़ रु में सौंप दिया है, जबकि रिलायंस ने 1452 करोड़ रु की इलेक्ट्रिसिटी ड्यूटी महाराष्ट्र राज्य को नहीं दी है। अतः ऐसा लगता है कि आम जनता का ध्यान हटाने हेतु मुंबई में यह सब ड्रामा निजी घरानों की मिलीभगत का ही एक पृष्ठ है।

निजीकरण के नाम पर औद्योगिक और व्यावसायिक क्षेत्रों के अधिक राजस्व वाले शहरों के विद्युत वितरण को निजी फ्रेन्चाइसी को सौंपा गया, किन्तु निजी घरानों की लूट की नीति के चलते यह प्रयोग भी असफल हो गया। औरंगाबाद, जलगाव, उज्जैन, ग्वालियर, सागर और भागलपुर के फ्रेन्चाइसी करार रद्द किये जा चुके हैं और शेष अन्य रद्द किये जाने की प्रक्रिया में हैं।

इन विफलताओं से सबक लेने के बजाय केंद्र सरकार इलेक्ट्रिसिटी (अमेंडमेंट) बिल 2014 को आगामी बजट सत्र में पारित कराने पर आमादा है, जिसमें बिजली आपूर्ति कई निजी कंपनियों को देने की व्यवस्था है। यदि यह बिल पारित हो गया तो बिजली आपूर्ति करने वाली निजी कम्पनियां मुनाफे वाले बड़े उपभोक्ताओं को बिजली देकर भारी मुनाफा कमाएंगी, जबकि सरकारी क्षेत्र की बिजली आपूर्ति कंपनी ग्रामीण क्षेत्रों, किसानों, गरीबों और आम उपभोक्ताओं को बिजली आपूर्ति कर केवल घाटे में रहेंगी और इस प्रकार सरकारी बिजली आपूर्ति कम्पनियों का दीवाला निकल जायेगा तथा क्रास सब्सिडी खत्म हो जाने से अंततः आम उपभोक्ताओं का टैरिफ बढ़ेगा। इलेक्ट्रिसिटी (अमेंडमेंट) बिल-2014 के विरोध में देश के लगभग बीस प्रान्त अपनी राय दे चुके हैं, किन्तु केंद्र सरकार राज्यों की राय को भी अनदेखा कर रही है।

नेशनल कोआर्डिनेशन कमीटी ऑफ इलेक्ट्रिसिटी एम्प्लाइज एण्ड इंजीनियर्स (एनसीसीओईईई) की पूर्व विद्युत् मंत्री से इस बारे में वर्ष 2015 और 2016 में कई बार बात हुई। पूर्व विद्युत् मंत्री वार्ता में उठाये गए कई बिंदुओं से सहमत हुए और इलेक्ट्रिसिटी (अमेंडमेंट) बिल-2014 में तदनुरूप संशोधन करने की सहमति भी दी, किन्तु केंद्र सरकार की ओर से आज तक कोई संशोधित प्रस्ताव नहीं आया है। अब ऐसा प्रतीत होता है कि राज्य सरकारों, बिजली उपभोक्ताओं, बिजली कामगारों और बिजली इंजीनियरों के विरोध के बावजूद निजी घरानों को लाभ पहुंचाने के उद्देश्य से केंद्र सरकार इलेक्ट्रिसिटी (अमेंडमेंट) बिल-2014 को बजट सत्र में पारित कराने पर आमादा है, यह सम्मलेन ऐसे किसी भी जनविरोधी कदम का पुरजोर विरोध करने का संकल्प व्यक्त करता है।

उत्तरी क्षेत्र के सभी 8 प्रांतों दिल्ली, राजस्थान, हरियाणा, पंजाब, हिमाचल प्रदेश, उत्तराखंड, उत्तर प्रदेश और जम्मू एवं कश्मीर के बिजली कामगारों और इंजीनियरों का यह सम्मलेन प्रस्तावित करता है कि -----

1. इलेक्ट्रिसिटी एक्ट-2003 के दुष्प्रभावों पर पुनर्विचार कर बिजली निगमों का एकीकरण किया जाये और तत्काल प्रभाव से निजीकरण, फ्रेन्चाइसी पर रोक लगाई जाये।
2. जन विरोधी और कामगार विरोधी इलेक्ट्रिसिटी (अमेंडमेंट) बिल 2014 को संसद से पारित कराने की प्रक्रिया पूरी तरह रोक दी जाये।
3. इलेक्ट्रिसिटी (अमेंडमेंट) बिल-2014 के कर्मचारी विरोधी एवं उपभोक्ता विरोधी प्राविधानों पर नेशनल कोआर्डिनेशन कमीटी ऑफ इलेक्ट्रिसिटी एम्प्लाइज एण्ड इंजीनियर्स (एनसीसीओईईई) से विस्तृत वार्ता की जाये।
4. 17 एवं 18 नवम्बर 2017 को बेंगलूरु में ऑल इण्डिया पॉवर इंजीनियर्स फेडरेशन द्वारा पॉवर सेक्टर पर आयोजित नेशनल सेमीनार के निर्णयों और निष्कर्षों के अनुसार ऊर्जा क्षेत्र में वास्तविक सुधार हेतु केन्द्र और राज्य सरकार समुचित कदम उठाये, सेमीनार के निष्कर्षों का राष्ट्रीय स्तर पर पालन किया जाये और बिजली के क्षेत्र में सुधार हेतु बिजली विशेषज्ञों की सलाह ली जानी चाहिए।
5. सुप्रीम कोर्ट के निर्णय के अनुसार 'समान कार्य के लिए समान वेतन' की नीति लागू की जाये तथा नियमित प्रकृति के कार्यों हेतु नियमित भर्ती की जाये।
6. विद्युत परिषदों के विघटन के बाद या 2004 के बाद भर्ती हुए सभी कर्मियों के लिए पुरानी पेंशन प्रणाली लागू की जाये।
7. बिजली के क्षेत्र में कार्य कर रहे कामगारों की सुरक्षा के लिए सुरक्षा मापदण्डों का कड़ाई से पालन किया जाये।
8. ऊर्जा के प्राकृतिक संसाधनों को निजी घरानों को सौंपने की प्रक्रिया बंद की जाये।
9. बिजली के क्षेत्र में निजीकरण / विनिवेश पूरी तरह बंद किया जाये।
10. बिजली का अधिकार मानवीय अधिकार बनाया जाये।

पूर्वी क्षेत्र के सम्मलेन के बाद 31 जनवरी 2018 तक सभी प्रांतों में सम्मलेन आयोजित किये जाए तथा फरवरी 2018 में बजट सत्र के दौरान दिल्ली में बिजली कर्मचारियों और इंजीनियरों का विशाल प्रदर्शन किया जायेगा। यह सम्मलेन यह निर्णय लेता है कि यदि निजीकरण की प्रक्रिया बंद न की गयी और केंद्र सरकार ने इलेक्ट्रिसिटी (अमेंडमेंट) बिल 2014 को संसद से पारित कराने हेतु पहल की तो बिना और कोई नोटिस दिए देश के तमाम बिजली कर्मचारी और इंजीनियर विरोध स्वरूप एक दिन की हड़ताल / कार्य बहिष्कार करने हेतु बाध्य होंगे जिसकी सारी जिम्मेदारी केंद्र सरकार की होगी।

यह सम्मलेन देश के सभी कामगारों, बुद्धिजीवियों और आम जन से अपील करता है कि वे बिजली कर्मियों के इस राष्ट्रव्यापी हड़ताल / कार्य बहिष्कार / आंदोलन में सक्रिय सहयोग कर केंद्र सरकार की जन विरोधी नीतियों को रोकने में सहभागिता करें।

नेशनल कोआर्डिनेशन कमीटी ऑफ इलेक्ट्रिसिटी एम्प्लाइज एण्ड इंजीनियर्स - ज़िंदाबाद-ज़िंदाबाद
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2nd January, 2018

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Hon'ble Minister of State (IC)
Power and New & Renewable Energy
Shram Shakti Bhawan
New Delhi - 110001.**

**Sub – Communication of Resolution adopted in Northern Regional Convention.
Ref: Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2014**

Dear Sir,

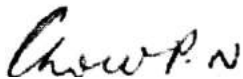
In Continuation to our letter dated 17th October, 2017, to your good office seeking appointment, we like to mention that, we are yet to receive any communication from your end.

Meanwhile, NCCOEEE Apex body met at Bangaluru on 18th November, 2017. As decided, Regional Conventions are being held at different regions of the country followed by state & district conventions to create public awareness on menaces and implications of the Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2014, if legislated as an Act. Thereafter, we have noted that the Government is determined to pass the Bill in budget session of the Parliament. We have also decided to intensify our protest campaign and agitation.

We enclose hereto a copy of the resolution adopted in Northern Regional Convention took place at Chandigarh on 28th December, 2017 with participation of more than 1000 Electricity workers, and employees and engineers of all 8 states of the region. The convention has also resolved to demonstrate before the Parliament against the impugned Bill. Workers employees and engineers of the country will resort to path of protest strike / work boycott, if the Government moves towards passing the Bill in Parliament.

Thank you,

Sincerely yours,



(Prasanta N Chowdhury)

Convener

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Encl : As stated above.

CONVENTION OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACT WORKERS OF KARNATAKA

“Light has to be brought into the life of workers who provide light”

S.Varalskshmi

I got a call from Kanakapura one day early morning informing me with tension that while performing air out in a operator transformer at Kagalalli Station of 66/11 KV, one person has died in the spot due to current shock. I suggested them to approach the Police and file a complaint. I got repeated calls later till next day that though a day and night has passed, neither the body is lifted nor Police have filed a case. Immediately, I called the respective Police station and put pressure to file a case. Subsequently, contractors and power department officials held a justice panchayat and paid little money to the bereaved family and washed away their hands.

Similarly, another incident had happened at Shikaripura. In Esuru sub station, when Channabasavaiah, a Station Assistant climbed the electric pole to repair the Outgoing gear operating switch jump which was cut, 11kv current passed through him and cut his hands and thighs. He was struck there fatigued. Immediately, other operators rushed and brought him down. Esuru being a small town, they could not get any vehicle and he was brought in a scooter to nearby Govt. Hospital. He succumbed there due to lack of medical facility. In that night, complaint was given and FIR was filed. Body was to be kept for postmortem the next day. But, in Shikaripura Taluk which is the home town of former Chief Minister of Karnataka, ice box is not available. Ice box was then brought from Sagar town and body was protected. Next day, over 200 people including department contract workers, villagers held Dharna, rasta roko demanding arrival of officials. Subsequently, along with Police, the officials came. They demanded that case be withdrawn but we did not agree. Then the contractor agreed to pay Rs.2 lakhs as also PF and ESI amount to the family. Case is registered and the proceedings are going on.

In another incident in a village Chandapura in Anekal Taluk, 52 year old Ramanji, a contract worker was struck by current when he climbed a pole to repair and died on the spot. The contractors, themselves were politicians and fearing that the job of a permanent lineman who is the son-in-law of Ramanjaneyappa, Police did not book a case and

case was closed with a compensation of Rs.4 lakhs.

After our union was formed, these three deaths have come to our knowledge. According to a report of 2015-16, in one year of 1561 such incidents have occurred, including birds and animals. Over 100 workers have died in these incidents.

As per the provisions of Workmen's Compensation Act, in any industry whoever appoints the workers should pay the compensation. But the Energy department is passing this responsibility to contractors. Irony is that if cows, buffalos, sheep, goats or public die in such incidents, a compensation of Rs.5 lakhs is payable, but if workers who work for Govt., infrastructure facility die, the authorities are washing away their hands claiming these workers as outsourced workers.

A society without electricity is unimaginable. But the lives of workers who work to provide light pledging their life gets burned in the current. Their lives are becoming drained. Light has to be brought to their life.

WHO ARE THESE CONTRACT WORKERS?

Under the Karnataka Electricity Reforms Bill 1999, the earlier Karnataka Electricity Board was transformed into corporations, by separately forming Karnataka Electric Supply Corporation Ltd., and Vishweshwaraiah Electric Supply Co.Ltd. Later, Vishweshwaraiah Electric Supply Co. Ltd was merged with Karnataka Electric Supply Co. Ltd. Subsequently, the activity of electric distribution was separated with formation of four independent electric distribution companies since 2002. KPTCL is primarily maintaining electric distribution. At present, KPCL, PCKL, BESCO, CESCO, GESCOIM, Chamundeshwari and KPTCL converted as MESCOMs are maintaining the total electricity production, supply and distribution activities. In all these companies, around 30000 workers are working on contract basis as power technicians, electricians, security staff, gangmen, Junior Engineers, Station operators, Station assistants, meter readers, cleaners, village electricity representatives, ATM-PTM workers, data operators, etc. Some of them have been working for more than 20 years.

WHY CONTRACT SYSTEM

In the post liberalised regime, non permanent job creation is the hall mark of finance capital which controls and influences neo-liberalisation.

In Karnataka the contract system is in vogue in different departments and mandals of the Govt along with private sector. As per Labour (control system) Act 1970, column 10, contract workers should not be taken for jobs of permanent nature and as per Electricity Act 2003, since the jobs in power industry is dangerous, workers have to be taken on a permanent basis. The Contract Workers' recommendation committee headed by Com.VJK Nair has recommended for ban on contract system in this sector, but it is not being implemented. In the entire country, in the 110kv 1100 sub stations and 33kv 800 sub stations and companies, contract workers are working.

In the neighbouring states of Andhra, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Kerala and also in Punjab, Haryana and other states, around 75000 contract workers are made permanent. In Karnataka too, in 2006, 6000 gangmen were made permanent. But today, there is a move to make these workers as permanent on a one time service basis.

MASSIVE EXPLOITATION

Only one contractor, in different names and through sub contractors, will make these workers work in different stations. The benefits from the Government is not reaching the contract workers.

FEW NATURE OF EXPLOITATION;

- Different payments are made for same category of work. In KPTCL, the minimum wage paid varies from Rs.5000 to Rs.12000. In BESCO, gangmen are paid Rs. 5800 only. In KPCL, it is in the range of Rs.7500-Rs.8000.

- Under GESCOM, in 6 districts and 33 KV sub-stations, since tender is not given since 2013, due to stagnate income, workers are working for a wage of Rs.4000.

- Wages differ from tender award and actual payment.

- In some instances, PF and ESI recovery are shown, but neither PF nor ESI card is given

- As and when contractors change, all benefits of

PF are not being paid.

- Contractor insists worker to sign on a blank paper claiming that they have received full wage, PF and ESI. If resisted, they are threatened of removal.

- When tender is changed, experienced workers are removed. Due to direct recruitment, thousands of gangmen have lost their jobs.

- Earlier, educational qualification was E&C. But now the new tender rule insists for E&E. Hundreds of workers fear job loss due to this.

- Contract workers should be paid bonus, uniforms, shoes, helmet, gloves etc., as is being paid to other employees. Training should also be imparted. Basic facilities like drinking water, toilets, etc. Are not provided in all sub stations of Karnataka.

These workers, after joining other unions and without any success, have come to the fold of CITU now. Com.S.Prasanna kumar initially started the union in a small manner with the contract workers of Bellary DTSP and Beltangady Electric workers. Then, workers in Haveri and Raichur came into our fold. Influenced by Anganwadi struggle of March 2017, KPTCL workers, gangmen, workers in electric production units, data operators have joined CITU today.

Already, disputes are raised in labour department. While raising division wise disputes, struggles have also begun. In June 2017, the 2nd State Conference was held and memorandum to local Minister, signature campaign, 24 hour hunger strike and other activities have been undertaken. Joint discussions has been held in the Department due to these struggles.

In a convention held on January 18th, it was decided to handover mass memorandum to Energy Minister. Over 4000 workers participated in this Convention. Sri D K Shivakumar, Energy Minister and Sri L K Atik, Chief Secretary to Chief Minister came to the Convention and agreed to consider our issues.

CITU is demanding compensation and permanent job to the family of Ningappa Baranker and Nagaraj of Hospet who became handicapped due to current supply and M D Channabasavaiah who died in the current shock.

राष्ट्रीय कान्फ्रेंस के निर्णय की परिपालना करते हुए हरियाणा में 10 जनवरी को सर्कल स्तर हुये प्रदर्शन : सुभाष लाम्बा

इलेक्ट्रीसिटी इम्प्लाइज फेडरेशन ऑफ इंडिया के आह्वान पर ऑल हरियाणा पावर कारपोरेशनज वर्कर यूनियन के बैनर तले 10 जनवरी को बिजली कर्मचारियों ने सर्कल स्तर पर आक्रोश प्रदर्शन किए। प्रदर्शनों के बाद बिजली विभाग के अतिरिक्त मुख्य सचिव के नाम प्रेषित ज्ञापन अधिक्षण अभियन्ताओं को दिये गये।

भवन, पंचकुला मुख्यालय पर राज्यस्तरीय प्रदर्शन करेंगे। एक अन्य पारित किये प्रस्ताव में केन्द्रीय ट्रेड यूनियनों व कर्मचारी संघों के आह्वान पर 30 जनवरी को जिला मुख्यालय पर आयोजित सत्याग्रह व जेल भरो आन्दोलन में बढ-चढकर शामिल होने का निर्णय लिया गया।



प्रदेश के 18 सर्कलों में हुए इन प्रदर्शनों में करीब 4 हजार बिजली कर्मचारियों ने शिरकत की। इनमें अनियमित कर्मचारियों की संख्या 60 प्रतिशत रही। इससे पहले आन्दोलन के दूसरे चरण में 7 दिसम्बर को डिविजन स्तर पर भी सफल प्रदर्शन हुए थे। प्रदर्शनों में पारित किये प्रस्ताव में सरकार व बिजली निगम प्रबंधको को चेतावनी दी की, अगर 14 मार्च तक ठेका कर्मियों को पक्का नहीं किया और पक्का होने तक समान काम के लिए समान वेतन नहीं दिया तो, बिजली कर्मचारी 15 मार्च को शक्ति

राज्य कार्यकारिणी की मीटिंग कर तैयारी की ऑल हरियाणा पावर कारपोरेशन वर्कर यूनियन की राज्य कार्यकारिणी की मीटिंग प्रदेशाध्यक्ष देवेन्द्र सिंह हुड्डा की अध्यक्षता में 26 दिसम्बर को रोहतक में हुई। इस मीटिंग में ईईएफआई के आह्वान पर 10 जनवरी को सर्कल स्तर पर होने वाले प्रदर्शन को सफल बनाने का निर्णय लिया गया। निर्णय के तहत सभी यूनियनों में कार्यकारिणी की मीटिंग आयोजित की गई और सब-यूनियनों में मीटिंग आयोजित की गई।



उत्तरी क्षेत्रिय कन्वेंशन में भी हरियाणा के कर्मियों ने लिया नेशनल कोआर्डिनेशन कमेटी ऑफ इलेक्ट्रीसिटी इम्प्लाइज एंड इंजीनियर के आह्वान पर 28 जनवरी को भकना भवन, चंडीगढ़ में आयोजित की गई। कड़ाके की ठंड के बावजूद कन्वेंशन काफी सफल रही। इसमें हरियाणा से करीब सैंकड़ों कर्मचारियों ने शिरकत की। कन्वेंशन काफी प्रभावशाली थी। कर्मचारी काफी उत्साह लेकर वापस आये।

भाजपा ने कर्मचारियों की एकता तोड़ने के प्रयास तेज किये

हरियाणा की मनोहर लाल सरकार ने कच्चे व पक्के कर्मियों की एकता तोड़ने के प्रयास तेज कर दिए हैं। इसकी जिम्मेदारी आरएसएस द्वारा संचालित भारतीय मजदूर संघ (बीएमएस) को दी है। बीएमएस ने अलग-अलग विभागों में वर्षों से काम कर रहे डीसी रेट ठेका कर्मियों को नियमित कर्मचारियों की यूनियन से अलग करने के प्रयास तेज कर दिए हैं। एनएचएम कर्मियों की एसोसिएशन को दो फाड़ करने में बीएमएस

सफल रही, हालाकि नीचले स्तर पर कर्मचारियों में सर्व कर्मचारी संघ हरियाणा का समर्थन है। बिजली में भी बीएमएस कच्चे कर्मचारियों को अलग करने के प्रयास में लगी हुई है, लेकिन अभी उसे बिजली में ज्यादा सफलता नहीं मिली है। लेकिन बीएमएस ने अभी अपने प्रयासों को बन्द नहीं किया है।



Odisha Power Workers' march to Bidhansabha on 14 March 2018 to Oppose the Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2014

Opposing the Centre's move to bifurcate existing power distribution system, All India Power Federation and NCCOEEE has decided to go for lightening strike in case the government remains firm on its stand, unions representatives said to Govt. on 14th March 2018 on Bidhansabha March. The power ministry is expected to push Electricity Amendment Bill in the forthcoming Budget session, which provides for segregating the distribution network business and the electricity supply business."25 lakh members of NCCOEEE (power engineers and employees) & (E.E.F.I.) would go on lightening strike for a day, if the Central Government takes unilateral decision, of bifurcating existing distribution system of power supply. PRANAYA KUMAR NAYAK, National Secretary of EEFI ODISHA & from NCCOEEE (National coordination committee of Electricity employees and engineers) and All leaders of Odisha Power Sector Federations & All India Power Engineers Federations said in that program while speaking to public. Notice for lightening strike has already been given to the government and no further notice will be given, and if the govt remains adamant, future course of action would follow, they said. In order to aware the masses about the "draconian change", which is anti-people and pro-corporate houses, NCCOEEE will go for massive demonstration in Delhi during budget session of parliament, B R Mishra convener of Joint Forum (JFEEEE) also said that the date of the demonstration will be declared shortly. The separation will pave the way for introducing a new system where consumers will have option to choose from multiple electricity service providers in their areas, similar to that of telecom services. Justifying the move of NCCOEEE, Sri Bishnu Mohanty National Vice President CITU & Chairman EEFI Odisha state committee said while addressing to publics/employees it is virtually privatising the profit and nationalising the losses in power sector. The worst part of the move is that it will be "bumper profit" gift to corporate houses for which people will be charged tax from the back door.

Union leaders of the State have urged the Government to oppose the Electricity (Amendment) Bill 2014, which seeks to extend privatisation to power distribution. Supporting the nation-wide protest by National Coordi-

nation Committee of Electricity Employees and Engineers (NCCOEEE), the Joint Forum of Odisha Electricity Employees and Engineers (JFEEEE), an umbrella organisation of power sector employees of the State, took out a rally here on Wednesday march 14th 2018 protesting and proposed amendment in the Electricity Act, 2003. In a memorandum to Chief Minister Naveen Pattnaik, the Joint forum said while addressing to the public/State Government should oppose the Bill in the Parliament as it is detrimental to the consumers and will push the sector to further financial and operational disaster. The Electricity (Amendment) Bill is proposed to bifurcate the distribution function of the power sector into carriage (infrastructure) and the actual sale. In order to give choice to consumers through competition in different segments of electricity market, concept of multiple supply licensees is proposed by segregating the carriage from content in the distribution sector and determination of tariff based on market principles, while continuing with the carriage (distribution network) as a regulated activity. To protect the interest of consumers, the tariff for retail sale of electricity is proposed to be capped through the Regulator and one of the supply licensees is proposed to be a Government controlled company. Further, the existing distribution licensees are proposed to continue till the expiry of their term as specified in their licence. Convenor of the forum Biswaranjan Mishra, EEFI state General Secretary Lalit kumar Pattnaik & Dy. General Secretary EEFI Odisha state Ajaya kumar Mahapatra said, Odisha pioneered power sector reforms in 1995 by privatising the distribution sector. However, the State miserably failed to achieve the objective even after more than two decades. "We urged the Government to set up a commission to review the performance of the private distribution companies and franchises. It should also review the Odisha Electricity Reforms Act, 1995 and study the reasons of failure,". Comrade Pranaya Nayak Again said the other 16 point demands of the forum (JFEEEE) include immediate implementation of recommendations of 7th Pay Commission & 10TH WAGE BOARD & Specially focus on the career of technical employees cadre restructuring with redesignate TECH-III, TECH-II, TECH-I with fix pay scale 2830,4200,4600GP before

31/03/2015 in power sector Odisha with introduction of special pay for power employees.

In this Rally Demonstration Dharana Chairman Bishnu Mohanty, General secretary Lalit kumar pattnaik, Dy. Secretary Ajaya Kumar Mohapatra, Shramik Neta Ali kishore Pattnaik, Vice president Pabitra khuntia & Vice President Biswanath sahuo, Joint Secretary Pratul Mahana, Vice president Biranchi Narayan Sahoo, Zonal Secretary Himansu Mishra, Sushil Dash, Ranjit lenka, Pradyumna Samal, Basanta Pradhan, Shriram Mohapatra, Secretary Santosh Sahoo, Bijaya pradhan, Working President Panchanan Jena, Secretary Kalucharan Sahoo, Tapas Nath, Sunil Singh, Ranjit Mohapatra, Tulu pattnaik, MANTU Behera, Choubarga Sahoo & all electricity employees federation & all central trade union

leaders participated. EEFI National secretary PRANAYA KUMAR NAYAK & the comrades of EEFI organize the entire program in a leading way, near about 6000 employees & engineers participated in this Demonstration, from EEFI participants was near about 3500 nos.

Thanks EEFI, NCCOEEEE, ALL COMRADES OF ELECTRICITY SECTORS OF ODISHA.

Shramik Ekata Jindabad, EEFI LONG LIVE, CITU LONG LIVE, ALL TRADE UNION LONG LIVE.

Com. PRANAYA KUMAR NAYAK

National Secretary, EEFI & State Secretary, CITU ODISHA

25th Conference of WBSE Workmen's Union

West Bengal State Electricity Workmen's Union organised its 25th State Conference at Bandel Thermal Power Station township of Hooghly district between 9th & 11th March 2018. The proceeding of the conference was initiated by hoisting CITU flag by Com. Prasanta Nandi Chowdhury, President of the Union in the ambience of thundering of slogans. Floral tribute was placed in the martyrs column by the leaders, delegates and fraternal delegates. A well decorated procession marched through the streets of the township shouting slogans of final victory of working class struggle. The rally arrived at a park near the market place, where a statue of Comrade V. I. Lenin was destroyed by TMC hooligans a few years back. Bandel Division of the Union reinstalled the statue in the same pedestal on the occasion of the state conference. The statue was unveiled by Com Shantasree Chatterjee, Chairman of the reception committee. The conference was formally inaugurated by Com K.O. Habeeb, President, EEFI. In his inaugural speech, Comrade Habeeb cited the danger before the electricity consumer posed through the proposed Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2014. He also referred to the distressed condition of the Discoms after implementation of the Electricity Act 2003. He put forward the debt and accumulating loss of the Electricity companies, which has already surpassed 9 lakh crore rupees. He also referred to the burden of NPA of generating companies climbing year after year, destruction of natural energy

resources of our country made by Central Government by privatising the different public sectors. He stressed that call of the hour is to shout for the demands "equal pay for equal work" and "abolition of contract system in permanent nature of jobs". CITU is trying to unify all the trade unions to widen the working class struggle. Com. Shyamal Chakraborty also greeted the conference through his hour long speech, the main essence of which was to unify all the mass organisations and intensify the struggle to that extent that can shake the govt. Com. Somnath Bhattacharya also greeted the conference and cited the dangerous outcome of competitive communalism practised by both TMC & BJP ultimately endangering the working class unity. Total of 330 delegates participated in the conference. They used the platform to share their experience of struggle while trying to organise the employees. The call of the conference was to increase the ideological strength and utilise the same to increase the membership as well as intensify the movement against management who are trying to ruin our industry. Conference elected General Council, Working Committee along with 25 Office Bearers headed by Com. Prasanta Nandi Choudhury as President, Com. Dipak Roy Chowdhury as Working President & Com. Jitendra Nath Nandy as General Secretary. The 25th State Conference successfully closed the curtains with chorus of International.

Report of Activities of Odisha State EEFI From August 2017 to March 2018.

No-1 20th AUGUST 6 comrades had gone to Hyderabad to attend National Convention, General Body meeting & elected as National Secretary (office bearer) Odisha State of EEFI, New Delhi.

No-2 Started demonstration & Rally, public awareness programme to stop input base distribution franchise & to stop electricity amendment bill 2014 in WESCO utility area as well as other area of Odisha state from 14th-07-2017 to 31st August 2017. Near about 15 nos of big bike rally street corner meetings held in that time in different places of Odisha state.

No-3 On 6th September, 2017 near about 3000 workers employees joined rally, demonstration, dharana programme for settle 10 point charter of demands as per notice given by WOBBSM in front of Head Quarter office, Burla.

No-4 On 14th September EEFI organized a Historical massive Rally & Demonstration programme at ODISHA BIDHAN SABHA, Near about 8000 employees participated in this programme. After discussion with Hon'ble Energy Minister at Bidhansabha for 24 points charter of demands of employees, workers, consumers of Odisha State the said programme called up for 3 months. Our General Secretary Comrade Prasanta Nandi Choudhury & Secretary Tarun Bharadwaj, All India Vice President CITU Comrade Bishnu Mohanty also joined in that programme.

NO-5 on 25th October 2017 National Demand of EEFI a Memorandum addressed to chairman of electricity organizations submitted by sub divisional label employees/workers of Odisha State.

NO-6 On 07th December 2017 workers/employees participated in different division level Demonstrations programme & submitted a memorandum for the chairman of electricity organization of Odisha State.

No-7 On 10th January 2018 workers/employees participated in different Circle label demonstration & submit-

ted a memorandum for the chairman of electricity organization of Odisha State as per decision by EEFI.

No-8 On 30th January 2018 four comrades of Odisha State participated at PATNA NCCOEEE eastern zone convention as decided by EEFI for National level demonstration programme.

No-9 Started JANASAMPARKA AVIJAN jointly with other organizations from February 2018 in different places of Odisha State against the electricity amendment bill 2014 & other demands, specially to stop privatization of DISCOMS of Odisha state.

No-10 Since 10th January 2018 Odisha Bijuli Karamachari Sangha had been organised a long days Dharana programme in front of SOUTHCO utility for 30 days. That was a historical Demonstration programme in electricity sector regarding regularization of outsourced employees working at SOUTHCO UTILITY. After discussion with CMD & other management officials the said programme stopped for some time.

No-11 Regarding regularization of outsourced employees working at WESCO utility & finalizations of 10th Wage Revision of employees of OPTCL/DISCOMS a big dharana demonstration programme already held in front of WESCO Utility/OPTCL offices from Dt. 26/02/2018 to 09/03/2018. After discussion with management & commitment given by CMD Gridco to fulfillment of 8 points demands the said demonstration programme stopped by WOBBSM for two months. Their after management called for a discussion on 16th March 2018 regarding 10th Wage Board revision.

No-12 Mass signature campaign also started to stop electricity amendment bill 2014 & to stop transfer of energy resources to profit monger private parties.

No-13 On 14th March 2018 a state level demonstration was held at ODISHA BIDHAN SABHA, Bhubaneswar & submitted a memorandum to Hon'ble Prime Minister, Govt. of India through Governor of Odisha.

NCCOEEE Programmes in West Bengal

NCCOEEE met in patna on 30.01.2018 and some decisions were taken. Accordingly NCCOEEE West Bengal chapter met in Kolkata on 10.02.2018. Decisions taken were as follows :-

- 1) State Convention will take place at com. Krishna Pada Ghosh Memorial Hall on 03.03.2018.
- 2) Stay in demonstration & rally will be organized near Victoria House, Kolkata (Calcutta Electric Supply Corporation- H.Q) on 14.03.2018.
- 3) Street corner meetings will be organized in Kolkata and in districts jointly by the constituents of NCCOEEE.
- 4) Leaflets will be distributed to the consumers regarding the danger of Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2014 as a part of peoples awareness campaign. Flex will be displayed.
- 5) Constituents of NCCOEEE will take part in Delhi Rally on 03.04.2018 against Electricity (Amendment) Bill, on the demand of equal wage for equal work, regularization of contractor workers etc.
- 6) Email will be sent to PM, CMs, MIC, power (Both central & state) NCCOEEE and HQ in Delhi.

All the decisions as stated above, excepting street corner meetings were carried. Leaflets were also not sufficient considering the huge numbers of consumers.

State Convention

State Convention took place on 03.03.2018 at Com. Krishna Pada Ghosh Memorial Hall, Kolkata. Members of presidium were from EEFI, AIFEE, AIPF, INEWF & AIFOPDE.

Kanchan Mukherjee, Convener of NCCOEEE, West Bengal chapter placed the memorandum demanding withdrawal of Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2014 review of Electricity Act, 2003, equal wage for equal work, regularization of contractor workers, supply of power to consumers at affordable cost and stop of hand over of natural resources of electricity to the hands of private capital etc.

Prasanta Nandi Choudhury, general secretary EEFI and National Convener of NCCOEEE, Vidyasagar Singh from AIFEE, Manas Sinha from AIPF, Ta-

pan Ghosh from INEWF and Sanjoy Chakraborty from AIFOPDE addressed at the convention. Prasanta Nandi Choudhury and the other speakers detailed on the danger of Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2014 and on the other demands. The memorandum was adopted unanimously.

STAY IN DEMONSTRATION ON 14TH MARCH, 2018

As a part of all India programme at the call of NCCOEEE Stay in Demonstration took place near Victoria House, Kolkata (CESC-HQ) on 14th March, 2018 at 3PM. A presidium consisting of the leaders from EEFI, AIFEE, INEWF, AIPF & AIFOPDE took the chairs at the occassion. Electricity workers from Kolkata and the districts were present in hundreds. Besides the electricity workers, the pedestrians also assembled to hear the lecturers.

Kanchan Mukherjee read the memorandum, addressed to the prime minister and narrated the gist of the demands in Bengali to the audience. He also stated that none of the promises given by government of India while adopting the Electricity Act, 2003 was honoured. He detailed on these aspects and made a clarion call to the public to take part in the movements against Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2014 along with the electricity workers.

Prasanta Nandi Choudhury the general secretary of EEFI addressed at the occassion. He detailed that promises of access to electricity to all the domiciles of India, Quality power, increase of efficiency of electricity utilities, reduction of tariff through competition none has been fulfilled, on the contrary electricity tariff has been increased by 8 times, cumulated deficits of the SBSs which were to the tune of Rs. 26000 crores, have reached to Rs. 4.5 lac crores for the DISCOMs and debts to Rs. 5 lac crores. He further stated 51% of the installed capacity is utilized in 2016-17 though power cut still remains at the peak hours. Prasanta Nandi Choudhury, Sanjoy Chakraborty & Subir Bhoumick from AIFOPDE, Manas Sinha from AIPF, Tapan Ghosh from INEWF & Vidyasagar Singh from AIFEE detailed on the dangers of Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2014. They stated motto of the bill is complete privatization of electricity industry of the country. They further stated

motto of the bill is complete privatization of electricity industry of the country. They further stated lightning strike/cease work would take place throughout the country if the central government adopts the bill.

Debabrata Bindu expressed thanks the participants on behalf of the presidium.

A rally after the meeting had been over at 5.30PM was organized from Victoria House to Subodh Mallick Square participated by the electricity workers, which

also drew admirable attention of the passers by.

Emails as decided were sent to the PM, CM, MIC, Power (both central and state) were sent by NCCOEEE West Bengal Chapter & all the constituent Unions and Federations of NCCOEEE.

Struggle & Works Report of Punjab

On the issues of Opposing Electricity Bill 2014 and exploitation of contract workers, the Northern Region convention was held on 28 Dec, 2017 at Chandigarh, in which about 110 workers of T.S.U and M.S.U, and contract workers union participated.

- on 14 Feb 2018, The Workers of Technical services Union, Ministerial Services Union, Junior Engineer council, P.S.E.B. Engineer Association gathered at patiala and organised Agitational programme by EEFI, NCCOEEE. A Memorandum of withdrawing the draconian Electricity bill 2014 was sent to chief Minister Punjab and prime Minister, of India other struggle programmes of EEFI were implemented along with state level agitation.
- In Punjab, Our agitation continued on the Economic issues of Regularise the contract & temporary workers, withdraw outsourcing and fill up vacant posts with regular pay Scales. Punjab govt. and power management has declared to close the units of Bhatinda thermal plant and 2 units of Ropur thermal plant (Total 880 M.W) w.e.f 1-1-2018 This decision is totally wrong because these units were renovated with the cost of 715 crore. With this, their capacity, life and efficiency increased. These units can Produce electricity at the Rate of 4.50 and 4.98, per units, where Punjab Power Corporation purchases power from the private thermal plants situated at Talwandi Sabo, Rajpura and Gurdaspur at Rs 5.02 paise and 5.14 paise per units, under power purchase agreement. so, P.S.E.B. employees Joint platform is struggling continuously against the closure at govt thermal plants and to achieve the economic

and other demands. Protest rallies at subdivision level were held from 20/12/2018 to 26/12/2018, on 1/1/2018.

- Effigies of Punjab govt and power management were burnt.
- on 3rd January 2018, state level Dharnas were observed at Bhatinda thermal and Ropur thermal gates.
- State level Rally and march was held at kapurthala against the power Minister of Punjab on 18-1-2018.
- On 7th Feb, 2018, State level Dharna was held at the head Office at Patiala against Management and march to Chief Minister residence was held where Memorandum was given to the Administration.
- Power management and Punjab govt is adamant and not paying any heed to the workers protest. P.S.E.B. employees has decided to intensify their agitational programme - Work to Rule, Black Flag demonstration against the C.M.D and directors at their field tour, office to office campaign in Memorandum to M.L.A and ministers etc is given till 10-4-2018. on 11-4-2018 One day token strike would be observed all over Punjab.
- Contract workers union was given state level Dharna on dated 21-3-2018 against the power Management before the gate of Head Office patiala. Effect of that Dharna the management organised a meeting with the Union on that very day. Finally the Management agreed to enhance their wages and considered the regularisation of the contract workers.

The Programmes Participated & Organised By The Calcutta Electric Supply Workmens Union

From November 2017 to 2nd day of April 18 Our trade Union participating and Organise these Programmes as follows :-

1. On 03/11/2017	Rally at Esplanade called by BPMO No of. participants was 145-150.
2. On 06/12/2017	Rally against comunalisation at Esplanade no was 175.18
3. On 07/11/2017	Several Units Organised The Novembor Revolution day
4. On 09/11/2017	Rally against anti people policies of Modi Govt & State Govt.
5. On 10/11/2017 & 11/11/2017	Participating in Delhi (Mahapadao) with the no of 46.
6. On 21/12/2017	Rally against FRDI Bill & anti people policies also holded a street Corner meeting at Entally Market
7. On 19/1/2018	Convention of CITU at CITU cal DC office
8. On 26/1/2018	In Republic day we participated at Entally Mrket in Human Chain Programme
9. On 30/1/18	Eastern Regiokal convention of NCCOEEEE held at PATNA, attended with 12 participants.
10. On 20/2/2018	'jail Bharo' movement called by CTUs & Federations in West Bengal- 55 'Satyagrahi' participated in court arrest another 100+ members joined the Rally.
11. On 3/3/2018	NCCOEEEE State Convention at 55 No Sunya Sen St CITU cal DC hall against 2014 Electricity Bill & exploitation of contract workers.
12. On 14/3/2018	Following the all India programme deputation to the PM & CM of the state participated a few hundreds of our members. The meeting was organised by NCCOEEEE State Chapter in front of Victoriya House, the Head Office of CESC. A Rally of electricity employees also took place after the meeting.

In between November to March 5 central Excecutive meetings being held of our union. We also participated in Other Democratic and progressive movements during this period.

According to the Decision of 8th Conference of EEFI Our Union also took part and submitted letters i.e. submission of memorandum to the said departments or body.

On 25th October 2017 letter to divisional heads, Head of the Organisation & Laboer dipartment

On 7th December 2017 Memorandum to Head of the Organisation & labour department

On 15th March 2018 Letter to Prime Minister and chief Minister both.

Regarding Jan Sampark (Public Contact) Programme we have planed and prepared leaf-let for awarness of consumers.

Work report of KSEB Workers Association(CITU).

Our Association was incessantly engaging in the programmes of NCCOEEE chalked out earlier.As a part of it,southern regional convention was held at BTR Memorial Thiruvananthapuram on 11/01/2018.More than 1500 employees from six southern states participated in the convention in which our share is around 1200.

Raj Bhavan March:

As decided earlier,a protest march was organised before the official residence of Honb'le Governor under the banner of NCCOEEE on the 14th march 2018.and convened a meeting there after which was being inaugurated by the President of EEFI Com. K.O. Habeeb.Around 3050 employees ,engineers and officers took part in the march.

Solidarity towards striking workers of Andhra Pradesh:

Our Association took the lead role in organising gate meetings in front of all electricity offices in Kerala under the banner of EEFI,to express solidarity towards the striking contract labourers of Andhra Pradesh electricity sector on 3/3/18.

Tripura solidarity day:

Our Association has observed protest day on 9/3/18 to express our concern against the hooliganism and atrocities of BJP goons towards the CPIM cadres and sympathisers in the state of Tripura.

Equal wages for equal work:

As decided earlier,our Association along with other constituents of EEFI has conducted gate meetings in front of all electrical division offices on 28/01/18 and submitted memorandum in the given form to all concerned head of offices.

Jan sabha(public meeting):

As reported in the previous meeting of EEFI,the state level meeting of constituents of NCCOEEE has decided to conduct one thousand Jan Sabha (public meetings)throughout the state to educate the public about the ill effects of the proposed electricity amendment bill 2014,which is going on now.Around 600 such meetings have already been held in various parts of the state.We plan to complete this exercise by 10th of April.It is estimated that around one lakh people have attended the meetings hitherto.More than 3.25 lakh pamphlets detailing the ill effects of draconian amendment

have been circulated among the public. Leaders from various quarters like Members of Parliament, MLA's, presidents and members of local self government bodies trade union leaders etc have actively participated in this programme either by inaugurating or greeting the function.

District level conventions of NCCOEEE:

In connection with the national level agitation of NCCOEEE all the district conventions have been conducted in which around 6000 members have participated.

Solidarity with KSRTC employees:

Kerala State Road Transport Corporation, one of the largest public sector undertaking in Kerala is debt ridden due to various reasons for a quiet long time. They are struggling to find fund for even the payment of monthly salary and pension. Of course, the LDF government is taking all measures to help the sector to tide over the crisis. Our Association extended support to our counterpart in the KSRTC to overcome the challenges they are facing now.

General strike on april 2:

The strike called for by general trade unions against the unilateral amendment made by the modi govt. in the industrial employment (standard rules). The strike was total in power sector as well as in the state as a whole. In the state capital, the striking employees and workers marched towards Raj Bhavan. Members of our Association actively took part in this march. Besides all other district capitals also similar procession where held in front of central Govt. offices, in which also our union members participated.

Parliament March on April 3rd

300 members of our Association is expected to participate the parliament march to be held on 3 rd April 2018 against the proposed Electricity Amendment Bill-2014. In this regard sent off functions had been organized by corresponding division level NCCOEEE Committees to the volunteers of Parliament March.

**Oppose
Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2014
&
Engagement Of Contract / Casual / Outsourced in Parmanent Jobs
Make Power Strike In August A Grand Success**

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महाराष्ट्र राज्य

दि. : १९-०३-२०१८

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अगस्त, २०१७ में इफी की अखिल भारतीय परिषद हैद्राबाद में संपन्न हुई । इस परिषद में लिए हुए निर्णयों की अंमलबजावनी करने का प्रयास किया गया है । परंतु जो कार्यक्रम तयार किया गया था उस कार्यक्रम के मुताबिक महाराष्ट्र में कार्यक्रम नहीं लिए गए । यह हमारी संघटनात्मक कमजोरी है । इसे दूर करने का प्रयास अभी हम कर रहे हैं ।

महाराष्ट्र में रत्नागिरी गॅस अॅन्ड पॉवर प्रा. लि. (दाभोळ पावर कंपनी) सिटू के संलग्न युनियन कार्यरत है । वहाँ के मजदूरों का वेतनवृद्धी करार हुआ है । लेकिन वह करार रत्नागिरी गॅस अॅन्ड पॉवर प्रा. लि. के साथ नहीं हुआ है । वह करार यूपीएल यह कंत्राटी कंपनी से हुआ है । ७ जनवरी, २०१७ को औद्योगिक न्यायालय, कोल्हापूर में मजदूरों के हित का एक अच्छा आदेश दिया है । उस आदेश के मुताबिक सभी मजदूरों को रत्नागिरी गॅस अॅन्ड पॉवर प्रा. लि. में कायम करना चाहिए । सभी मजदूरों को उनके नियुक्ती से कायम करना चाहिए इस आदेश के विरोध में रत्नागिरी गॅस अॅन्ड पॉवर प्रा. लि. ने मुंबई उच्च न्यायालय में अपील दर्ज कि है । आजतक उस अपील की कोई सुनवाई नहीं हुई है । रत्नागिरी गॅस अॅन्ड पॉवर प्रा. लि. में नॅशनल कंपनी ट्रायब्युनल दिल्ली में एक पेटिशन दाखल करके इस कंपनी का विभाजन करके कोकण गॅस प्रा. लि. और रत्नागिरी गॅस अॅन्ड पॉवर प्रा. लि. ऐसी दो कंपनी बनाने का प्रस्ताव रखा है । उसके खिलाफ युनियन ने अपना आपत्तिजनक पेटिशन दर्ज किया था । उसका आदेशभी पूरी तरह से मजदूरों के हित में नहीं आया है । मजदूर / युनियन इसके विरोध में सर्वोच्च न्यायालय अपील दर्ज कर रही है । कंपनी के अंदर करीबन ३५० मजदूर काम कर रहे हैं । बिजली व्यवसाय का नीजिकरण करने वाला २०१४ के सुधारणा विधायक के खिलाफ हस्ताक्षर मुहिम चलायी जा रही है ।

जलगाव में महाराष्ट्र राज्य इलेक्ट्रिसिटी बोर्ड में कंत्राटी कामगारों का संगठन अगस्त २०१७ में बनाया । जनवरी, २०१८ में युनियन का नया कार्यालय का उद्घाटन किया गया है । कार्यालय सुरु करने के बाद नये नये कंत्राटी मजदूर युनियन से जुड़ने का काम कार्यकर्ते कर रहे हैं ।

चंद्रपूर थर्मल पॉवर स्टेशन, कोराडी पॉवर स्टेशन, विदर्भ और खापरखेडा, नागपूर यह ३

पॉवर कंपनी का कामकाज बंद होने की आशंका है । करीबन अबतक १००० कंत्राटी कामगारों को नौकरी से निकाल दिया गया है और १५०० कंत्राटी कामगार काम कर रहे हैं किंतु दि. १ अप्रैल से पानी की स्थिती खराब होने की वजह से इन मजदूरों को भी अपनी नौकरी से हाथ धोना पड़ेगा । महाराष्ट्र सरकार के पास इन कंत्राटी मजदूरों को काम मिलना चाहिए इस तरह का निवेदन दिया गया है, लेकिन सरकार इस बारे में कोई भी चर्चा युनियन के साथ करने के लिए तयार नहीं है । भविष्य में यहाँ एक बहुत बड़ा आंदोलन करना पड़ेगा ।

उहाणू में रिलायन्स कंपनी का ५०० मेगावॉट का एक पॉवर स्टेशन है । उस कंपनी के कंत्राटी कामगार सिटू युनियन के सदस्य हैं । उनकी संख्या ७०० तक है । लेकिन यह सदस्य जनरल युनियन के अंदर सदस्य होने के नाते अबतक उनको इफी के साथ संलग्न करने में हम कामियाब नहीं रहे हैं ।

अखिल भारतीय पैमाने पर बिजली उत्पादन के व्यवसाय में २०१४ का सुधारणा करने वाला बिल सरकार ने पेश किया है जो बिल मजदूर और देश की जनता के खिलाफ है । उसके विरोध में दि. १४ मार्च, २०१८ को निदर्शन किए गए । महाराष्ट्र में महाराष्ट्र राज्य इलेक्ट्रिसिटी बोर्ड के मुंबई के प्रकाशगड कार्यालय में बहुत बड़ा निदर्शन हुआ । इस निदर्शन में सभी ट्रेड युनियन शामिल थे । इफी की तरफ से कॉ. पी. एम. वर्तक ने उस निदर्शन को संबोधित किया ।

महाराष्ट्र के अंदर बिजली व्यवसाय में काम करने वाले लाखों की संख्या में मजदूर हैं । उनको एकत्रित करने का काम महाराष्ट्र सिटू राज्य कमेटी करने में प्रयत्नशील है ।

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उत्तरप्रदेश मे विद्युतउद्योग कि स्थिति रिपोर्ट

- १) उत्तर प्रदेश में वर्तमान समय मे माण्योगी सरकार विद्युत वितरण का निजिकरण/ प्रेन्चारजीवाण करने का निर्णय हे कोच्चु यग चरज मे ७१ जिल्लों तथा द्वितीय चरज मे ५ महानगरों को प्रस्वेरकाम्यानेपों को देने का निर्णय के लिपाह जिसका वेक्कर्यचारो सपुत्र संबर्ष कदिति चरजव आन्दोलन के माध्यम से निरोक् प्रारम्भकर दिया गपाह। ९ से ११ एप्रेल छदिन का पुर्णकार्य बारेक्कार का निर्णय लिया जाचुवाह।
- २) उन्दरं विण्डत्पादन निगम मे नये पावर हाउस तो लगाये जारहे कच्चिकारिपों /जुनिपर हान्जेरिपरों की इर्ती तोहोरहीह परन्तु रेपनोशीपा हौ सहायक तथा कनर्क की इतो नही दिया जारहा आपदेरान एव मेन्टिनंस के वार्प कोदारी सेकररापे जारहे पावरे हाऊसों मेठेकाकरण तेजीसे वढ रहा हे। जो कि चिन्ता का विषय था कयानेवाले दिनों मेक्यान्जीलनें को प्रच्चवित करेगा।
- ३) प्राइबेट से विजली का एग्रीमेंट करके वितरण व्यवस्था मे व्यवच्चन होने पर उत्पादन निगम की - विजली बनाने वाली मशीनो काउत्पाका कयकरापा जाताहे। जिसे चर्मल वांकिंग कहते ह। परन्तु प्राइवेट से मंहगी विजली लेना जारी रखा जता हे। यह की विजली विलाग के व्याटे का एक वहुत बड़ा कारण हे।
- ४) शाजीनगर, विन्ध्यनगर, रिहन्द्रनगर, ऊँचाहार एसी परियोजनाकीं में अच्चिकारी सवेर्ग मे तो कर्ती होरही है। परन्तु वहाँ थी कर्मचारियों की भर्ती पूर्णतपा वन्द हे। लापरेएन एव मेन्टिनंस का वार्प पूर्णतः एक परकराया जारहा है।
- ५) श्भ संविदाघयिको काशोषण वडें वेदाने पर होरहा है उन्हे दिनिमजवेज भोनि ही मिएरहाहे - व संमगित हो का लड़ाई नही लड़ पारहे हे जोकि चिन्ता काविषण वहा -।
- ६) विजली भगदान मे एकड़ी की संख्या में जितना लिया। यु. पी० मे च- आन्दोलन का नेतृत्व डडख की पुनिप पु० पी० विव्येसि पूतिपन स्टीटु कानपु मे भगवान मिद्या - नाय राप पाराहाडली मे कयोबरा कानपरा, परिक्षा, कानपुर हरपुकागंज का प्रतिनि- च्चित्व के नेता कररहाउँ परन्दी पुरी तरह से वन्द हो चुका है।
इगोकिद्रसिटे वापस के पुरुण अंश एलं कार्पक्रम व गोरकेटंके व्यादेश हिन्दी मे छापे गाए।
ऐनले विजली सरकार जीवे २००० मे सद्यात्पद हडता वाहएर विद्युत - को ती उत्पादन - पारेशण कव वेचने का क्यारादाह।
पुतिपर होरो कयो कमजाहे कान्द्रेक लये मे एंकका नापे वहुत हे परन्तु नेजुड़ नही कर रहे है।

**Electricity Act 2003 Has Flopped
Now Re- Integrate State Owned Power Utilities
Prepare For Nationwide Power Strike In August**

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रिपोर्ट

विजली मजदूर एकता यूनियन हैपरानाद मे ४वी कानफैस के वाद जो भी डडख' के दिशा निर्देश हुए उनके अनुसार हि० क्र० मे कार्य कर रही है। यूनियन ९-१०-११नवम्बर के दिल्ली के सहापड़ान के भी ७१ लोगो के साथ भागीदारी की। और भी जो जो दिशा निर्देश आया उनके अनुसार २४ अक्टुबर - प्रदेश के मुख्यमन्त्री को समान काम का समान वेतन के लिए ज्ञापन यूनियन की तरफ से दिया गया। यूनियन ने पिछले उमहीदो मे ८ जिलो की सभी महिला कर्मचारियो का पूर्णभगन किया। यूनियन कई - साल २०१८ मे राज्य अछिवेश करने जा रही है। और डडख' से अनुग्रह कहती है कि इस उपलक्ष्य पर अपनी साजीदारी व दिशा निर्देश दे। २ अप्रैल २०१८ को भी विजली मजदूर एकता युनियन ने जिला हसीरपुर मे खैटीग गीसि डर्सनअसीहा कानुन के निर्देश से द्ररना प्रदर्शन किया। आज ३ अप्रैल २०१८ को हिमाचल प्रदेश - यूनियन से ५०० लोग व बिजली मजदूर एकता यूनियन से २०० लोग अपनी भागीदारी कर रहे है। और भी डडख' से कोई भी दिशा निर्देश आरही तो विजली मजदूर एकता यूनियन तन मन द्रन से हमेशा प्रयास पर्वत से खड़ी रहेगी।

सितम्बर २०१७ से मार्च २०१८ तक गतिविधियां

१८ से २० अगस्त २०१७ डडख' के राष्ट्रीय सम्मेलन हैदरावाद में २७ सपस्वीय प्रतिनिधि मण्डल द्वारा भागेदारी बंरले लोटने के बाद राज्य में की गई गातिविधियां:-

- १) बिजली निगमों में कार्यरत करथे कर्मचारियों की मांगों को लेकर २६ सितम्बर को मुख्य अच्च्यन्ता रोहतक के कार्यालय पर प्रदर्शन करके ज्ञापन किया गया।
- २) ११अक्टुबर को यहो प्रदर्शन मुख्य अच्च्यन्ता गुड़गांग के कार्यालय पर किया गया।
- ३) किसान सभा के राष्ट्रीय सम्मेलन ३ से ६ अक्टुबर २०१७ हिसार के लिए विरोश सध्योग राशि (लगभग ७ लाख रूपये) खच्चे करके दिये गये।
- ४) यूथिन के सागंठनिक चुनाव १५ जनबरी से १० फरवरी तक सब-यूनिट, ११ फरवरी से ५ मार्च तक युनिट, ६ मार्च से २० मार्च तक सर्कल सचिव व २३-२४ मार्च २०१८ की राज्य प्रतिनिधि सम्मेलन करवाया गया।
- ५) १० जनवरी २०१८ को डडख' के माहवाव पर सर्कल स्तर पर प्रदर्शन करके लायन दिये गये।
- ६) २८ फरवरी २०१८ को शभभ'डडख' की चण्डीगढ़ कनर्वेशन में लगभग १०० कार्यकर्ताओं ने भग लिया।
- ७) १४ मार्च २०१८ को मुख्यालय शक्ति चवन पर्यकुला पर शभभ'डडख' के आध्वान पर बिजली शसॉंन बिल २०१४ व कच्चे कर्मचारियों की मांगी को लेकर राज्य स्तरीय प्रदर्शन व ज्ञापन किया गया जिसमें लगभग २५०० बिजली कर्मचारियों व इन्जिनियरों ने भाग लिया।
- ८) इसके अलावा स्थानीय सयस्थायों को लेकर लगभग आन्दोलन जारी रहे।

**REMOVED ALL THE OBSTACLES
ACHIEVED FARE WAGE DEAL
BY TAMIL NADU ELECTRICITY BOARD EMPLOYEES**

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The salary hike issue of Tamil Nadu Electricity employees, and there struggled that brought an end to the issue in order to establish the rights of the TNEB employees and there public service is just as like how electricity and the electricity Board played an important role in modern human Development/

The Tamil Nadu Electricity Board employees are those who are protesting against the policy change. Who strive to privatize the Indian Public Sector Companies with the principle, such as Indian Electricity Sector privatize by electricity Act 2003, and Electricity Policy 2015, and open assessment policy.

The TNEB attained its speak in Power Generation, Distribution and Transmission farahed of other state electricity Board due to the fact that the TNEB employees had worked in a sacrificial manner even, It is night or day, heavy rain or summer.

The pay hike due for the TNEB workers who work for the sake of public sacrificing the self interest was 1/12/2015. So we wrote a letter dated 21.1.2015 and staged a demonstration on 28.1.2016 emphasizing our demand that it is a duty of the central organisation of Tamil Nadu Electricity employees who hold taks for the salary hike that is due from 1.12.2015. When the Board fails to initiate action for the said pay revision.

RAISING VOICE IN THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLEY

The wage revision committee was formed on 4.2.2016. as a request of comrade K. Balakrishnan, MLA, Comminist party of India (Marxist) raising his voice in the Assembly and raised questions about the salary hike. COTEE would fight in the street, Court and in the assembly etc; to full fill the demands of Electricity Board workers.



SUBMISSION OF DEMAND LIST

While the salary for the central Government employees fixed and on the basis of recommendation of the 7th pay commission, The next movement the COTEE has prepared a detailed demand list and organised a protest demonstration in which hundreds of workers were participated, and submitted the demand list to the Board with a request to initiate the talks regarding revision of wages.

The Government of Tamil Nadu, the management of Electricity Board and some trade unions has taken this stand to wait till the state Government employees pay raise announcement.

INDEFINITE MASSIVE DEMONSTRATIONS

The COTEE organised indefinite demonstration on 22.12.2016 in which thousands of employees were participated, of putting forward the demand of continuous discussion to avoid the delay by quoting the example of state Government employees salary issue, In which the Government, which was the

then ruler has postponed the contract period for the two year behind the scheduled date, just paying hundred as hike.

As the conclusion of the demonstration. The Tamil nadu electricity Board employees has created a situation while the talks for the salary hike of TNEB employees, as to be continued without waiting for the state Government results.

THE INCITE MENT OF TALKS BEHIND THE OBSTACLES

The pay commission for the state Government employees was formed during April 2017. In this situation there aroused a compulsion for the Government to hold talks for the TNEB employees salary hike. However as all other Trade union were steady. in their stand to wait for the state Government employees 7th pay Commission conclusion. The Board also adopting as a delay tactics they have started the discussion on work load increase.

PROPOSAL ON SALARY INCREASE

When the Suggestion for the work Load is put forward rather than the New salary increase. A strong objection was raised against this attitude. There after the board given a proposal on the salary increase, such as multiplying factor of 2.37 minimum hike of Rs 760/-merger of 125/- Dearness allowance, But we have objected to accept the suggestion and advocated the Board. During the month of october, Both the Tamil nadu Electricity Board employees, and Tamil nadu Electricity Board pensioners welfare association had conducted protests demonstration in front of the Electricity Board Head Office and capital city of every districts.

The TNEB was forced a situation that it cannot delay any more in providing the salary hike to its employees by the movement and slogans raised by the Central Organisation of Tamilnadu Electricity employees and Electricity Board pensioner welfare Association.

The intensified struggles forced the Board to conduct, the talks with a suggestion such as multiplying factor of 2.57 minimum salary hike of Rs.3000/- changing Completely the suggestion placed in the month of october 2017. As of the work load is concerned the already given suggestion was with drawn and a new proposal such as additional 2000 Line Inspector, and special grade Foremen will be created, in all section Offices inorder to provide promotion opportunities for the field wokers. As for the assesment employees cotee have argued for the creation of assesment officer to the Sub - division level, Senior Assesment Officer for the superintending engineer Office, and the Cheif Assesment Officer post for the Chief Engineer / Distribution Level.

Even though the talks regarding the salary hike, work norms were completed in the month of October 2017, the board made delays rather than making the agreement on the same. All the trade uions except CITU,BMS,NLO, supported the Board Delay tacties.

26.12.2017 INDEFINITE WAITING PROTEST HELD AT THE HEAD-QUARTER OFFICE



Nearly 10000 workers were gathered in Front of the Electricity Board Head Office. and they have announced that will not disperse, still a settlement, was arrived and a clause should be added which favoures indetification of the Contract Labourers. This agitation continues untill 9.00 clock in the Night. Then the detailed discussion was held and board assured that the issue will be settled with in two or three days. After the assurance the employees was disbursed by 9.30 PM in the Night.

As the wage revision discussion was concerned the CITU, BMS, and other eight Unions insisted the Board to have a early settlement. But on the other hand the LPF, AITUC, and some of the unions joined with the Board and Government stand for delay and making losses to the employees. have once again paved way for the unnecessary delay by holding meeting with the Board chairman and again for adjournment.

ELECTRICITY EMPLOYEES STRIKE ANNOUNCEMENT

After 26 months delay, the CITU (COTEE), BMS, insisting and forcing the Government and Electricity Management, for early disposal, On the other side the LPF, AITUC, and some of the unions are supporting the delay tacties of the TNEB Management. In this Juncture there is no other way to involve direct action such as strike etc.

The CITU, BMS, and eight other union decided to have strike, on 23.02.2018. Following the strike annoucement conciliation talks were carried out before the joint commissioner of Labour. since the Government became aware that several thousand employees could Flood in to the strike, In case if the employees strike materialiased. This situation forced to take a smooth decision and immediate conclusion to bring the salary hike issue. As a result the official who took part in the talks had promised that an agreement would be arrived with in 12.02.2018. and they than arranged for a meeting with the unions on 23.01.2018 and preparation was made for early settlement on 29.01.2018.

As dispiriting the entire situation the secretary of Finance had sent a D.O Letter to the Board insisting that calculation factor should be 2.40, and officers salary hike. once in 10 Years, which was like putting of the promises of the Board. The TNEB Workers became frustrated and again a declaration was made on behalf of the employees that the board fails to arrive an agreement on or before 12.02.2018. Then the workers strike will follow as a consequence, in which more than Ten trade unions including CITU, BMS, will be participating.

In the mean time the LPF and AITUC, Led trade unions again had a disturbance attitude they have meet the minister and a request for a interium relief. The minister also Utilised the chance and strengthening for his delayness he is announced an interium relief.

In this Junctuter the CITU, lead 10 union has no other way to announce a strike on 16.02.2018. The strike was conducted successfully. There are 20,000 regular employees, 2000 part time employees and 10,000 contract employees all together 32000 employees wee particepated in the strike behind our expetaitation and manefested there worth the against the Board, amidst the announcement of interium relief the intimation of 8 days salary deduction.

The workers strike was concluded just in a day keeping in mind that the electricity sector is a service oriented department. The workers strike was concluded with the announcement that the agreement should be arrived with in a weeks time. Failing which may in sight the wrath of the workers which in turn may lead them to continious strike as well and as a consequence if the public was disturbed then the entire responsibility will be upon the Government and Board.

On out prolonged struggled including a day strike forced the Government and the Electricity Board to have an agreement on 22.2.2018 on the dealings finalised inthe month of October 2017 and concluded the long pending issue for the TNEB employee.



THE SAILENT FEATURES OF THE AGREEMENT

1. The agreement period once in 4 years
2. The multiplying factor is 2.57
3. Merger of Dearness Allowance 125%
4. The daily wages of Contract Labourers shall be enhanced from Rs. 250/- to Rs. 380/- with effect from the date of settlement.
5. The scale of parttime conservency workers shall be revised from 1300 - 3000 + Rs. 300+ grade pay to Rs 4100 - 4500.
6. The rates of House Rent allowance and city compensatory allowance will be as follows in the Government of Tamil Nadu with effect from 1.10.2017.
7. The Revision of pension issued by the Government to the pensioner will be implemented for pensioners of TANGEDCO also in too.
8. The existing recruitment procedure in filling of the backlock vacancies of SC/ST will be followed.
9. Assessor II grade and mazdoor post will be merged with assesser and Filed Assistant respectively from the date of settlement.
10. A uniform training period of 3 months with the time scale of pay shall be implemented for all new appointment, recruitments in initial level category.

11. 2000 Line Inspector post will be created to the Section with highest number of consumers.
12. creation of 383 post of Special Grade Foreman to all the Rural and Hill distribution section by abolishing one post of foreman Ist grade.
13. 156 post Assessment Officer in the highest Revenue yielding sub-division.
14. 43 post of Senior Assessment Officer in the Distribution Circle offices in the Revised pay of 58,500 - 1,85,800 duly abolishing Assessment officers post.
15. Declaration of 4th saturday as a Holiday to the TANGEDCO employees with extension of working hours from 10.30 a.m. to 5.15 p.m. instead of 10.30 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.
16. Women assessors about 40 years our differently abled assessor shall be allowed one time cadre changing.



उत्तर प्रदेश का यागा सरकार क मरठ व सहारनपुर जिला का बिजली वितरण सप्लाई क निजीकरण के खिलाफ किसानों व कर्मचारियों ने किया आन्दोलन का ऐलान : सुभाष लाम्बा

उत्तर प्रदेश की योगी सरकार ने बिजली संशोधन बिल-2014 के पारित होने से पहले ही मेरठ व सहारनपुर जिलों की बिजली वितरण सप्लाई निजी हाथों में देने का निर्णय लिया है। इसके लिए टेंडर भी आमंत्रित किये हैं। योगी सरकार के इस निर्णय को अखिल भारतीय किसान सभा व यूपी स्टेट बिजली बोर्ड इम्प्लाइज यूनियन ने जन विरोधी करार देते हुए इसके खिलाफ आन्दोलन

उपाध्यक्ष औम प्रकाश शर्मा, अखिल भारतीय किसान सभा के उपाध्यक्ष डी.पी.सिंह, सीटू उत्तर प्रदेश के महासचिव कामरेड प्रेम नाथ राय, उपाध्यक्ष सुरेन्द्र सिंह, किसान सभा बुलन्दशहर के अध्यक्ष चन्द्र पाल सिंह, जिला संरक्षक, बिजली बोर्ड इम्प्लाइज यूनियन आदि ने संबोधित किया।

बिजली विशेषज्ञ प्रवीर पुरकायस्थ ने पंचायत को संबोधित



का बिगुल बजा दिया है। आन्दोलन की घोषणा अनुसार फरवरी महीने में जन जागरण अभियान चलाया जायेगा और 15 मार्च को विधानसभा पर प्रदर्शन किया जायेगा।

संयुक्त महापंचायत का हुआ आयोजन

बिजली निजीकरण व बिजली की दरों में की गई बढ़ोतरी के विरोध में 6 जनवरी, 2018 को राजे बाबू पार्क, कालाआम, बुलन्दशहर में बिजली कर्मचारियों व अखिल भारतीय किसान सभा की संयुक्त महापंचायत का आयोजन किया गया। पंचायत में कड़के की ठंड के बावजूद बड़ी संख्या में बिजली कर्मचारियों, किसानों व मजदूरों ने शिरकत की। पंचायत की अध्यक्षता मेघराज सिंह सोलंकी ने की। पंचायत में दिल्ली साईंस फोरम से बिजली विशेषज्ञ प्रवीर पुरकायस्थ, इलेक्ट्रीसिटी इम्प्लाइज फेडरेशन ऑफ इंडिया के राष्ट्रीय उपाध्यक्ष सुभाष लाम्बा, यूपी बिजली बोर्ड इम्प्लाइज यूनियन के अध्यक्ष भगवान मिश्रा, महासचिव बिशम्बर सिंह

करते हुए कहा कि बिजली सबके लिए जरूर है। इसका निजीकरण करना पूरी तरह गलत है। देश की आजादी के बाद बिजली कर्मचारियों व इंजीनियरों ने गांव-गांव बिजली पहुंचने का काम किया। यह तब ही संभव हो पाया, जब बिजली सरकारी क्षेत्र में था। उन्होंने कहा कि सबसे पहले उड़ीसा में बिजली का निजीकरण हुआ था, लेकिन जब साईंकलोन आया तो बिजली की लाईनें गिर गई थी, जिसके चलते निजी कम्पनियों ने बिना अतिरिक्त दिए बिजली सप्लाई करने से मना कर दिया। निजी कम्पनियों का असली चेहरा बेनकाब हुआ था। निजीकरण का मॉडल फेल हो गया है, लेकिन इसके बावजूद महानगरों का फ्रेचाईजी की जा रही है और बिजली वितरण सप्लाई के लाईसेंस भी निजी कम्पनियों को दिये जा रहे हैं। जिसके बाद वितरण प्रणाली पर पूरी तरह निजी कम्पनियों का कब्जा हो जाएगा और बिजली गरीब की पहुंच से दूर हो जायेगी। उन्होंने किसानों व कर्मचारियों की पहल

का स्वागत किया।

इलेक्ट्रीसिटी इम्पलाइज फेडरेशन ऑफ इंडिया के उपाध्यक्ष सुभाष लाम्बा ने अपने सम्बोधन में कहा कि केन्द्रीय बिजली मंत्री ने बजट सत्र में बिजली संशोधन बिल-2014 को पारित करवाने की घोषणा की है। जबकि पूर्व बिजली मंत्री ने एनसीसीओईई को आश्वासन दिया था कि कमेटी द्वारा दिए सुझावों के अनुरूप बिल में संशोधन करने के बाद ही संसद में बिल पेश किया जायेगा। इसके बावजूद केन्द्र सरकार बिल को पुराने स्वरूप में ही पारित करवाने पर आमादा है। बिल के पारित होने पर क्रास सब्सिडी खत्म हो जायेगी, जिसके कारण बिजली की दरों में

को पक्का करने व समान काम के लिए समान वेतन की मांग को लेकर राष्ट्रव्यापी आन्दोलन शुरू किया गया है। जिसके तहत सब डिविजन से लेकर राज्य स्तर पर प्रदर्शन व जन जागरण अभियान चलाया जाएगा और अगस्त महीने में वर्क स्टाप किया जायेगा।

किसान सभा के उपाध्यक्ष कामरेड डीपी सिंह ने कहा कि बिजली निजीकरण से किसान बुरी तरह प्रभावित होगा। बिजली की दरें बढ़ने से किसान पर अतिरिक्त बोझ पड़ेगा। कृषि क्षेत्र भी प्रभावित होगा। उन्होंने कहा कि किसान बिजली दरे बढ़ाने व बिजली निजीकरण करने के खिलाफ 15 मार्च को यूपी विधानसभा पर प्रदर्शन करेंगे।



भारी बढ़ोतरी होगी और बिजली किसान व गरीब उपभोक्ताओं की पहुंच से बाहर हो जायेगी। अरबों-खरबों से खड़े किये नेटवर्क को निजी कम्पनियां मामूली शुल्क पर प्रयोग करके भारी मुनाफा बटोरेंगी। उन्होंने कहा कि एनसीसीओईई ने इसका विरोध करने का ऐलान किया है, जिसके तहत कन्वेंशन की जा रही है और बजट सत्र में संसद पर प्रदर्शन किया जायेगा। इसके बावजूद बिल को पारित किया तो बिजली कर्मचारी व इंजीनियर राष्ट्रव्यापी हड़ताल / कार्य बहिष्कार करेंगे। उन्होंने कहा कि हैदराबाद में सम्पन्न हुई नेशनल कान्फ्रेंस के निर्णय अनुसार कच्चे कर्मचारियों

यूपी राज्य सीटू के महासचिव प्रेम नाथ राय ने कहा कि बिजली दरों में योगी सरकार द्वारा की गई बढ़ोतरी व बिजली निजीकरण के खिलाफ किसान व कर्मचारियों की लड़ाई में सीटू से जुड़े मजदूर भी शामिल होंगे। यूपी बिजली बोर्ड इम्पलाइज यूनियन के अध्यक्ष कामरेड भगवान मिश्रा ने कहा कि कर्मियों की संख्या एक लाख से घटकर 34 हजार रह गई है। संविदा पर कर्मियों को लगाया जा रहा, जहां उनका भारी शोषण हो रहा है। उन्होंने कहा कि किसान, मजदूर व कर्मचारी मिल कर बिजली निजीकरण के खिलाफ लड़ाई लड़ेंगे।

Global Energy Interconnection Backbone Grid Roadmap Released for the First Time

2018 Global Energy Interconnection (GEI) Conference is held on 28-29 in March. The conference attracts over 800 guests from more than 30 countries and regions together in Beijing to discuss the development of GEI on the theme of “GEI from China’s Initiative to Global Action”.

2018 GEI Conference is a grand international gathering held at a new development stage of GEI. It bears great significance to implementing China’s GEI Initiative and the United Nations 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, advancing world energy reform, promoting green and low-carbon development and building a better future for mankind. Mr. Liu Zhenya, Chairman of Global Energy Interconnection Development and Cooperation Organization (GEIDCO), Chairman of China Electricity Council, Member of Royal Swedish Academy of Engineering Sciences, delivered a keynote speech at the conference.

The conference consists of Plenary Sessions and Parallel Sessions, with a focus on Clean Development, Energy Interconnection, International Cooperation and Innovative Practices. Meanwhile, 12 major innovative technical breakthroughs and research reports, including GEI Backbone Grid Research, are released. The guests exchange ideas and share experiences, all of which will be of great significance to GEI.

António Guterres, Secretary General of the United Nations, expressed in the congratulatory video that the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and Paris Agreement on climate change depend on a transformative approach to energy. The Global Energy Interconnection Initiative provides a key to solutions that can efficiently use rich and renewable resources, to deliver more than energy services to all even at long distances.

The conference has won high attention and substantial support from all parties. Mr. Li Pumin, Secretary General of National Development and Reform Commission of PRC, Mr. Zhu Juwang, Director of UNDESA’s Division for Sustainable Development, attended and addressed the conference. More than 80 guests from different backgrounds including politics, business, industry, universities and research institutes attended the conference and delivered speeches. These guests

came from international organizations such as the United Nations, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC), International Council on Large Electric Systems (GIGRE) and International Energy Agency (IEA), government departments of countries including Argentina, Ethiopia, Tunisia and Greece, energy companies like State Grid Corporation of China, China Southern Power Grid Co. Ltd., China Three Gorges Corporation Redes Energéticas Nacionais (REN), Egyptian Electricity Holding Company (EEHC) and Eletrobras, and universities and research institutes such as Royal Academy of Engineering of UK, Royal Swedish Academy of Engineering Sciences, National Academy of Science and Engineering of Germany (ACATECH), Columbia University and Waseda University.

Mr. Liu Zhenya’s keynote speech was entitled “Global Energy Interconnection Reshapes the World”, in which he noted that building GEI is a road towards transformation, green development, prosperity, harmony and happiness. It will change the way of energy development and utilization, provide an ultimate solution to climate change and drive technological innovation and industrial development in areas like new energy, new materials, artificial intelligence, big data, and electric vehicles, so as to shape a new pattern of energy security featured with cooperation, mutual benefits and win-win results. In addition, it will also solve the problem of inaccessibility to electricity around the globe, facilitate the building of a community of shared future for humankind and push the world towards a better future.

Mr. Liu Zhenya pointed out that GEI development is concerned with energy, economy, society, environment and other fields of all countries in the world, so it needs to enhance top-level design, formulate global planning, and be implemented in stages under the guidance of the planning. GEIDCO has conducted in-depth studies on

the economic and social development, energy resources, electricity supply and demand of over 100 countries and proposed the plan for GEI Backbone Grid. With the GEI backbone grid being the priority, the acceleration of GEI development and building of a modern energy system dominated by clean energy, centered with electricity and featured with interconnection, co-building and sharing will bring tremendous value and comprehensive benefits to the whole world. The construction of the GEI Backbone Grid will be carried out in three stages, leading to the establishment of an “energy artery” that connects five continents with “nine horizontal and nine vertical” grids.

Mr. Liu Zhenya remarked that on the whole, the top-level design for GEI has been completed and the blueprint for GEI development has finished drawing up. Breakthroughs have been made in technologies and equipment, and the conditions for accelerating GEI development have been created. He proposed that consensus between governments, companies and all sectors of society should be built to synergize GEI with the Paris Agreement, the “Belt and Road” Initiative and regional development strategies, and promote China-Myanmar-Bangladesh, China-Korea-Japan, Congo Inga Hydropower Station-Europe and other clean energy development and grid interconnection projects. He said that efforts should be made to speed up breakthroughs in key technologies and equipment such as UHV large-capacity submarine cables, UHV VSC-HVDC and high-efficient clean power generation technologies. All parties should coordinate policies, foster global market, and innovate business models to accelerate the implementation of GEI for mutual benefits and win-win results.

On the afternoon of 28 March, 9 organizations and companies including GEIDCO, State Grid Corporation of China, ABB Group, China XD Group Corporation, NARI Group Corporation, Prysmian Group, Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd., China Three Gorges Corporation, and Vestas Wind Systems A/S released 12 key research reports. In general, the reports cover GEI-related areas such as UHV, smart grid and clean energy, focusing on cutting-edge technologies at the world-leading level. The reports include both technology planning and product items that are of high strategic and practical value.

The four research reports released by GEIDCO are GEI Backbone Grid Research, GEI Development Index 2018, GEI Technology and Equipment Innovation Outline

2018-2025 and GEI Standard System Research 2018.

On the morning of 29 March, the GEI Clean Development Session and the GEI Innovative Development Session of the conference were held. During the GEI Clean Development Session, participants exchanged views and discussed topics like “the significance and role of clean energy development in addressing climate change”, “experience and practice in regional cooperation on advancing clean energy transition” and “problems and challenges as well as practical benefits in promoting clean development”. In the GEI Innovative Development Session, participants shared ideas and methods on topics like “key cutting-edge technologies”, “policy and financial security mechanisms” and “industrialization development measures” that support the development of GEI.

A number of international organizations, government departments sent congratulatory letters and videos to the 2018 conference. Shamshad Akhtar, Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations and Executive Secretary of the UN ESCAP, said in the congratulatory letter that Global Energy Interconnection has emerged as a grand vision. GEIDCO, through in-depth research, consultation and partnership development at the regional and global scale, has the potential to move forward collectively with stakeholders to develop an effective mechanism and agreed action plans for reaping the wider benefits of this vision.

Kwesi Quartey, Deputy Chairperson of the African Union Commission, said in the congratulatory letter that the initiative of GEI is of great significance to regional power grid connectivity and energy optimization, and it has taken the global joint effort to combat climate change and promote green development to the next level.

Ambassador Kamal Hassan Ali, Assistant Secretary General of the League of Arab States, said in the congratulatory letter that the Arab League participates in all important events organized by GEIDCO to ensure the continuation of our joint efforts in promoting the development of sustainable energy and to facilitate from our side any hurdles facing trans boundary power connections.

Fatih Birol Executive Director of the International Energy Agency said in the congratulatory video that China pushed a lot of new initiatives to help the governments across the world and to push the agenda of decarbonization. One of these initiatives is of course the Global Energy Interconnection. It is why we believe at

IEA that the work of GEIDCO is so important, promoting global cooperation, research and strategic planning.

Steve Chu Vice Chairman of GEIDCO Nobel Prize Winner in Physics said in the congratulatory video that a grid containing ultra-high voltage, ultra-long-distance transmission lines can connect vast remote renewable energy sources with dense population centers around the world. Let us forge ahead and together create a new future for the world, one where there is a clean abundant energy for everyone, one where our environment is preserved and one where we can all breathe clean air.

Yanovsky Anatoly, Deputy Minister of Energy of Russia, said in the congratulatory letter that GEIDCO can further promote the sustainable development of the world's energy. This, I firmly believe, is of great significance not only for expanding bilateral cooperation but also for promoting energy stability in the entire region.

Department of Climate Change, National Development and Reform Commission, PRC, said in the congratulatory letter that the work of GEIDCO has exemplified China's good practice and beneficial results in coping with climate change and promoting low carbon development. It also offers precious reference for future endeavors to further advance international cooperation

between China and other countries on climate change issues.

The GEI Theme Exhibition was held during the conference. More than 30 global organizations, including GEIDCO, demonstrated their achievements in advancing UHV, smart grid and clean energy development in the exhibition area.

Since its establishment two years ago, GEIDCO has been actively building a platform for win-win cooperation in order to align efforts across different countries via negotiation and sharing. A lot of ground-breaking work has been carried out. By now, GEIDCO has 402 members across 61 different countries and regions. The Advisory (Consultant) Board and the Technical (Academic) Committee are now in place. In addition, GEIDCO launched the Member Journal of GEIDCO in both Chinese and Global editions. Friendly collaborative relations have been established with 150 government departments, international organizations, businesses, universities and research institutes from over 50 countries, with the result of signing 20 cooperation agreements. GEIDCO's findings from 100 subject studies regarding GEI strategy, planning and key technologies have laid a solid foundation for an accelerated development of GEI.

National Convention

against

**Anti People Power Policy of Government,
Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2014**

&

exploitation of Contract / Casual / Outsourced Workers

Ghalib Institute Auditorium, New Delhi

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8 th June 2018

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Parliament March on 3rd April, 2018: Resolution on Action Plan

On behalf of NCCOEEE National chapter, I convey warm and hearty greetings to all NCCOEEE constituents for their immense contribution to make Parliament March on 3rd April, 2018, a grand success. Determination and integrity of NCCOEEE, the broad based platform of all National level Federations of Electricity Employees and Engineers, was once again established through this rally. Participation was innumerable from all parts of the country spanning through North, South, East & West. Head count was impossible but estimation through area covered by the participants of the rally in the Eight Lane Road and pavements in a longitudinal stretch of 250 meters through Parliament Street, goes over 20,000. Banners, Placards, Festoons, hoarding, Aprons focusing the grievances and demands encouraged, enthused and charged all the participants.

The proceedings of the rally in the form of open convention commenced sharp at 11 AM with formation of the Presidium comprised of K O Habeeb, A N Rajan, Padamjit Singh, S M Singh, Ramesh Sharma & S Rathina Sabhapathy. On behalf of National chapter of NCCOEEE, Prasanta N Chowdhury submitted and explained the salient points of the draft resolution. Ramesh Sharma (AIPF), S Rathina Sabhapatty (TNEB PWF), G K Vaishnav (AIFOPDE), K O Habeeb (EEFI), K Rathana Rao (AIEEF), Subhas Lamba (EEFI), Mohan Sharma (AIFEE), Shailendra Dubey (AIPF), S M Singh (AIFOPDE), Padamjit Singh (AIPF), Samar Sinha (AIPF), Shamitulla (AIFEE), Kuldip Singh Khanna (EEFI), K Soma Sekhar (AIPF), Subir Bhowmik (AIFOPDE), Bipin Prakash Verma (INEWE), Ashok Rao (NCOEA) addressed the assembly and supported the resolution. Main features of the resolution and action plan are as under:

NCCOEEE the broad based platform of all National Federations of Electricity Workers, Employees and Engineers has convened this Rally at Delhi after series of consultation with the people through Regional, State and District level Conventions throughout six months last in all parts of the Country. Those Conventions resolved to oppose the frantic effort of the Government to Privatise the Publicly owned Electricity Industry through administrative and legislative measures. This rally, in the form of open Convention, with representation of Electricity Workers, Employees & Engineers, being held before the Parliament at Delhi once again resolve to call upon the Prime Minister and Members of Parliament to scarp the Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2014 placed in the Parliament.

Game of speculation, gambling and cheating has taken its inevitable course in power sector in the era of reform. Government gifted Ambani regime of Odisha took an end on firm stand of OERC, role of Ambanis in Shasan coal scam and COD episode unveiled a tip of iceberg.

Voice of news media has been gagged. Corrupt practices of business tycoons in the arena of Coal, Gas and other resources of Electricity published in the media is suppressed with the influence of interested lobbies. Corruption will be continued but publishing the news will be proscribed. The episode of removal of editor of nationwide famous journal has unveiled the fluid status of Indian democracy.

FORTH COMING ACTIVITIES

This rally express high applaud to Uttar Pradesh United Forum of Electricity Employees for their heroic struggle against Privatisation of Electricity distribution of major cities of UP. This rally also warns UP Government not to adopt any excessive measures, against Electricity Employees. At that event their brotherhood all over the Country will not be silent spectators and will act reciprocative.

This Rally of NCCOEEE firmly puts following demands to Government of India as well all the State Governments and Legislators and Parliamentarians:

- 1) Implementation of Electricity Act, 2003 and adverse effects there upon should be reviewed with the target of integrating the state owned Power sector.
- 2) Complete hold upon enactment of the anti worker and anti consumer provisions of proposed Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2014.
- 3) Stop enactment of proposed Electricity (Amendment) Bill in Parliament without prior discussion with the representatives of organisations of electricity employees and engineers as assured by the former MIC Power, Government of India in several meetings took place between Power Minister – DoP officials and leaders of NCCOEEE in 2015 and 2016.
- 4) Government of India as well state Governments should consider the recommendation of the National Seminar on Power –“Present and future Perspectives” held at Bangaluru between 17 and 18 November, 2017 to save the public owned Power sector from total bankruptcy.
- 5) Comply Apex Court order for ‘Equal Wage for Equal Work’ and put complete hold upon engagement of contract workers in regular operation and maintenance jobs pending regularization of existing contractor workers.
- 6) Implement old pension scheme for all power employees recruited after April, 2004.
- 7) Ensure safe working condition in risk prone jobs in Electricity industry.
- 8) Stop transfer of natural energy resources to the hands of private capitalists.
- 9) Stop disinvestment in Energy Sector PSUs of India
- 10) Ensure ‘Right to Energy as Human Right’.

This Rally endorses the decision of Apex body of NCCOEEE for resorting to a Nationwide Power Sector Strike during the monsoon session of the Parliament, in consultation with All Central Trade Unions and National Federations through a National Convention at Delhi.

Public awareness campaign against the suicidal policy of the Government to curb the Right to Electricity of the Poor Peoples of India will be continued and intensified in support of the Strike against anti people power policy of the Government on cost to public for profit of privates.

Long Live NCCOEEE.

Long Live Unity of Electricity Consumers, Employees and Engineers.

Save Public Sector, Save Nation.

(Prasanta N Chowdhury)

Convener

**Prepare For Nationwide Strike In August To Oppose
Anti People Power Policy, Anti Worker Labour Policy**



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