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To all Units, Office Bearers, CC & GC Members

Dear Comrades,

## **Mazdoor Kisan Sangharsh Rally Congratulations to all participants**

From our General Council meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> June 2018 in Kolkata, we decided to join the Mazdoor Kisan Sangharsh Rally scheduled to be held on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2018 at the joint call of CITU, AIKS and AIAWU.

It was a huge and historic rally. The rally gave a strong message to the present regime at the centre which is pursuing totally anti-people policies and serving the interest of the big corporates. The mood of the rally demonstrated determination of the participants to carry forward the struggle against the policy makers and the politics behind such policies.

We are proud that with around 500 representatives of our Federation from different parts of the country, we could also become part of this historic event. Congratulations to all our member participants.

## **Office Bearers' Meeting**

We held our Office Bearers' meeting in Delhi on 4<sup>th</sup> instant and took important decisions on different items of the agenda.

Our **10<sup>th</sup> National Conference** will be held, as per schedule decided earlier, **on 28<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019 at Thiruvananthapuram**. Our Kerala State Unit has confidently communicated that overcoming the difficulties in which the State is passing through due to unprecedented recent flood, they will be able to successfully host our 10<sup>th</sup> National Conference. Reception Committee for the Conference has already been constituted with Com. Elamaram Kareem, M.P. & General Secretary, CITU Kerala State as its Chairman & Com. S. S. Anil, General Secretary of our Kerala Unit as the General Convenor.

Office Bearers decided that on the occasion of our Conference the city of Thiruvananthapuram will be named as **COM. S. R. BAL NAGAR**, who was a legend of bank employees' movement of the country and one of the founders of our Federation and the auditorium of the Conference will be dedicated to the memory of **COM. T. S. MURALI**, founder General Secretary of our State Federation.

**Delegate/Observer:** The meeting decided that all state units will be entitled to send delegates on the basis of membership strength of 2018 @ 1 (one) for every block of 200 members with additional 1(one) for any major fraction thereof.

Each State Unit will be entitled to send Observer @ 1(one) for every block of 2(two) Delegates. Fee per delegate/observer will be Rs.1000/-. All state units have to clear **subscription up to 2018 @ Rs.10/- up to 2016 & @ Rs.15/- effective from 2017** per member per year.

Further details on Conference will be communicated separately.

To carry forward the decision of our apex level **organisational meeting** held in Kolkata in the month of June 2018, office bearers decided that our State Units which are yet to hold their committee meetings should hold the same within the month of November 2018. State bodies of bank-wise unions should also meet within that period to discuss on organisation and chalk out programme for overcoming weaknesses and for expansion. State units have also to hold state level TU workshop for the new recruits within this year.

**Sale of Share:** Office Bearers expressed concern on the initiative of some banks to go for sale for shares to its employees. Office Bearers reiterated the firm stand of our Federation opposing sale of shares of PSBs and strongly felt that this is part of government's move for privatisation of public sector banks. The meeting preferred an appeal to all the employees of concerned banks not to fall prey to the game plan of the bankers-government combine for privatisation of PSBs. Our Units in the concerned banks have to organise campaign among the employees on the aforesaid lines.

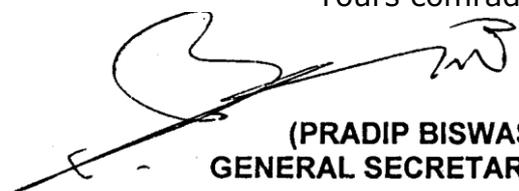
**Embargo on Dena Bank:** Our Federation has already lodged its protest against the embargo imposed by RBI on Dena Bank on lending. In our communication earlier we have stated that it's a ploy to weaken the Bank from within. To highlight our views, Office Bearers decided to hold demonstration in all State Capitals in front of the main branch of Dena Bank on **25<sup>th</sup> September 2018**.

**Demonetisation:** It is around two years since the demonetisation was announced on 8<sup>th</sup> November 2016. The arguments put forward by Hon'ble Prime Minister in favour of demonitisation have been proved to be a hoax. The recent report published by Reserve Bank of India states that more than 99% of banned currency notes have come back to RBI. This further substantiates our view on the falsehood of the propaganda unleashed by the Government. To reiterate our protest against the damage caused to country's economy, Office Bearers decided to hold demonstration in all State Capitals on **8<sup>th</sup> of November 2018**.

We call upon all our State Units to successfully implement the above programme of holding demonstrations.

With greetings,

Yours comradely,



(PRADIP BISWAS)  
GENERAL SECRETARY