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PRESS RELEASE

U.T. EMPLOYEES OBSERVED COMPLETE STRIKE

ON TODAY 8TH JANUARY 2020

Chandigarh dated 8TH January 2020- On the call given by the All Central Trade Union including All India State Government Employees Federation, The Federation of U.T. Employees & Workers Chandigarh today i.e. on 8.01.2020 observed complete strike. The Employees of Electricity, water supply, road, horticulture, maintenance, CITCO, ICCW, BDPO, MC Manimajra and other department of U.T. and M.C. observed complete strike. The Employees morning assembled before their respective offices and raised slogan against the government, thereafter they join the rally of striking employees on the call of Federation of UT Employees Workers Chandigarh opposite Prade Ground Sector 17 Chandigarh and held the rally thereafter they taken out procession towards Brij Market, Sector 17 and joined the joint rally of all Trade Unions. During the Strike all works of the departments remain paralise. The strike of Electricity Employees begin 11/12 night and will continue till today 11/12 night. During the strike all types of works remain closed and Administration remain miserably failed to restore the continuity of supply, even inspite of deputing XENs and SDOs level officer beside engagement of contractor workers.

Sh. Gopal Dutt Joshi Secretary AISGEF & Gen. Secretary Federation of U.T. Employees & Workers Chandigarh while congratulating the employees for their hundred percent successfully strike elaborated the issues of one days strike observed today 8th January 2020 amongst them scrapping of New Pension Scheme to the employee appointed after January 2004 and demanded restoration of old pension system to them, regularization of all the daily wages, work charge, contract and outsource workers, implementation of equal work equal pay pending regularization filling up of all the vacant posts lying vacant in all the departments on regular basis curbing rising process of essential commodities, creation of new decent jobs, minimum wages Rs. 21000/- per month and minimum Rs. 10000/- per month pension to all, stoppage of all moves to sell PSU shares and outright privatization through various routes like outsourcing, PPP etc. universal Social Security coverage to all among other demands. He while addressing the employees heavily came on union government and blame that instead of implementing the demands of the employees and workers this government choose the way of crushing the agitations either it is the agitation of employees, workers, farmers or any other sections. He further blamed that this government changed the number of labour laws in favour of capitalism/industrialists either it is gratuity act, apprenticeship Act or fixed term appointment all these goes in favour of industrialists and against the workers which needs to give befitting fight by success the one day strike so as to change the laws in favour of employees and appeal the employees to make 8 January 2020 strike a grand success.

Sh. Raghbir Chand President Federation of U.T. Employees and Workers Chandigarh said that on the one side the union government is adamant towards the common demands of employees on the other the Chandigarh Administration is also adopting negative attitude towards the demands of U.T. Employees like filling up vacant post on regular basis, amendment in drafts rules, offer of appointment to the next kin of deceased employee by scrapping 5% sealing on Punjab Pattern, cashless medical and allotment of houses to the successful candidates etc. and call upon the employees to unite and make success one day strike.

The Rally of striking employees was also addressed by Dhian Singh, Rajinder Katoch, Bhim Sain, Harkesh Chand, Amrik Singh, Bihari Lal & other leaders of the Federation including Harpal Singh, Chain Singh (Water Supply), Gurmeet Singh and Daler Singh (Electricity), M. Subhramaniam & Ram Baksh (MC Horticulture), Bishram, Parshadi Lal, Rajinderan and P. Kamraj (U.T. and M.C. Road), Nasib Singh, Sarwan Singh, Sanjay Kumar & Arun Bhagat (M.C. Public Toilet). The leaders while congratulating the employees for their massive participation in strike equally blamed the Chandigarh Administration and MC Authority who remain miserably failed to stop the Contractors who are violating the Labour Laws and retrenched the Contract workers while changing contractors who are working for last 10 to 15 years and also remain failed to release the salary of contract workers before 7th even inspite of guidelines given by the Chandigarh Administration and announced that the Federation will launched a Massive Protest against this injustice if the exploitation of contract workers will not be stopped.

Issued by

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