## **ELECTRICITY EMPLOYEES' FEDERATION OF INDIA**

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## **CIRCULAR**

To All Office Bearers, All Working Committee members All Affiliated / Associated Organisations

EEFI Working Committee meeting held on 31st July, 2021 on virtual platform was presided over by Com K O Habeeb. 39 Members took part in the meeting besides 3 invited members of MSEB Swabhimani Union. Rajesh Kathale (099212 00421) is the contact person of the Union. Central points of deliberation and decisions of the meeting are appended below.

- 1. Working Committee reviewed the Strike Preparation and expressed satisfaction over the preparation through agitation and mass awareness campaign over the Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2021. At the present juncture, Working Committee stressed upon General Body meeting at various levels of the Unions, so that our members can impress upon other workers and employees on the importance of the 10<sup>th</sup> August Strike, so far interest of electricity consumers and employees are concerned. **Strike called on 10<sup>th</sup> August is for one day not indefinite period**.
- 2. Working Committee dealt in the issue raised by some comrades with the words Strike / Work Boycott. As our United National Forum NCCOEEE consists of Engineers, most of whom are Executives and not under the purview of right to strike enjoyed by the workers within the I D Act. As decided in our last working committee meeting, all **EEFI constituents will issue Strike Notice and take part** in the Strike (not work boycott). All attempts of some NCCOEEE constituents to misguide our week unions, should be foiled by firmness of senior comrades. Working Committee vowed to adhere to our basic policy of Unity & Struggle.
- 3. EEFI will write all National level Fraternal Organisations & Federations of Peasants, Agricultural Workers, employees of various sectors like Coal, Oil, Gas, Transport, Bank, Insurance, Government Employees, Steel, civilians in Defense Production, Education, various scheme workers including manufacturing and service sectors. Besides opposing the Bill, long standing united struggle to protect the rights of the poor and rural electricity consumers is proposed to be developed through National and down the level united forum of Electricity Consumers and Employees. Copy of the letter will be circulated to enable our state units to take up with the state counterparts.
- 4. Working Committee appreciably noted the united struggle of SOUTHCO (ODISHA) employees citing the commitment of ODISHA Government for

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- regularization of contract workers, which is not complied by Tata Power. EEFI leaders will visit Brahmapore to express solidarity.
- 5. EEFI noted with grave concern, Maharashtra Government is denying granted benefit of compassionate job for the wards of employees of DISCOMS died in harness. All EEFI constituents will collect state wise detailed information on the status of compassionate recruitment in the respective states and send it to EEFI Centre to enable EEFI to take further steps.
- 6. All documents from states to EEFI Centre should be sent par e-mail for proper recording. Those, who have not sent the copies of Strike Notice should send immediately par e-mail.
- 7. As decided by NCCOEEE stay in Demonstration at Delhi between 3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> August to oppose Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2021 will take place at Jantar Mantar / Parliament Street between 11 AM and 4 PM. Exact Venue will be communicated on 2<sup>nd</sup> August late evening. All are requested to look into EEFI Working Committee WhatsApp Page. Besids participants from the Regions, AHPCWU will send around 70 Nos of participants on all the days. Similarly, our UT Chandigarh Union will also deploy additional participants. Availability of EEFI leaders at the venue will be as under:

Date	Region	Name & Phone No	Name & Phone No
3 <sup>rd</sup> August	North	Suresh Rathi	Naresh Kumar
		98963 45282	9416915827
4 <sup>th</sup> August	East	Tarun Bharadwaj	Jiten Nandi
		9830250022	9830245705
5 <sup>th</sup> August	West	-	-
6 <sup>th</sup> August	South	Rajendran	Jay Prakash
		9842140301	9249305062

Com Subhas Lamba and the undersigned will be available at the Venue on all four days.

**Reports**: Updates on preparation, as well any subsequent development, should be communicated through EEFI Working Committee Memebrs' WhatsApp Page. Photographs posted should have a brief caption either in English / Hindi.

**Important**: Submission of copy of the Annual Return alongwith Affiliation dues is tobe completed by 14<sup>th</sup> August.

(Prasanta N Chowdhury)

**General Secretary**