

NATIONAL COORDINATION COMMITTEE OF ELECTRICITY EMPLOYEES & ENGINEERS

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The meeting took place on 3rd February, 2017 at BTR Bhawan, New Delhi and was presided over by Shri. Padamjit Singh.

The meeting was attended by K.O. Habeeb, Prasanta N. Chowdhury, S.S. Subramanian, A.N. Rajan, S. Rathina Sabapathy, R. Badri Narayanam, A. Antony Padovaraj, G. Murali Krishnan, A.K. Jain, S.M. Singh, Samar Kr. Sinha, Ramesh Sharma, G.K. Vaishnav, Anil Vyas, C.P. Marthan, (INEWF)

Respectful homage was paid to departed leader of NCCOEEE, V Ashoke Kumar, who passed away in a road accident at Punjab on 12th December, 2016 while he was travelling in the course of his organizational activities. Sri Prasanta N Chowdhury, Sri G K Vaishnav, Rathina Sabapathy, R. Badri Narayanam and S.S. Subramanian deliberated on life and deeds of V Ashoke Kumar. The speakers affirmed to carry forward his unfinished job.

NCCOEEE greeted AIPEF for their commendable legal action to unveil the unscrupulous way of extracting excess money from the electricity consumers by the private players in power sector.
Through the judgment of Apex Court, AIPEF views in respect of COD of Sasan UMPP has been upheld. Nexus between APTEL and private players has also come to light. NCCOEEE vehemently condemns the shameless act of Ambani owned Reliance Energy Group towards filing defamation suit against AIPEF leaders. It has become open secret that Reliance Energy is being indulged by Government of India as well some of the State Governments.

At the outset of the meeting all constituents of NCCOEEE expressed their anxiety over the national situation in general and power sector in specific. Shri. Padamjit Singh opined financial position of all State Power utilities is worrying. Cost of supply is more than total revenue. So all States has been trapped into debt burden. Monteh Singh Ahulawalia formulated that take over of State Power Sector by Central Govt. It did not materialize. Now by UDAY scheme Central Government further throws State Power utilities into debt trap with compulsion of tariff escalation. Free power supply in agriculture and other purposes is creating huge loss. Mismatch of Cost and Revenue still continues. The Government is reluctant to cover the monetary gap of Discoms evolved out of their policy decision with financial support. Root cause cannot be otherwise set right. UDAY is workable if it could show the Break even. But it did not. So no relief is visible from UDAY.

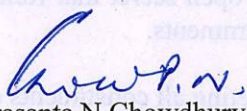
All the leaders of NCCOEEE Constituents expressed their views and experiences. After detailed discussion, decisions arrived upon are noted below:

1. **A :** One booklet will be published covering the menacing power scenario in the country. The booklet should be utilized by the organizers for wide campaign among the various cross section of people. All the state chapters of NCCOEEE will arrange translation in the local language for wide circulation. This booklet will be developed by Shri Padamjit Singh and will be issued by NCCOEEE through consultation with other leaders.
B: A brief summary of the booklet in the form of one or two pager hand bill will also be developed. Thousands of this hand bill will be circulated by the NCCOEEE constituents in states.
2. We are to keep in mind that the Government is not presently going ahead with Electricity (Amendment) Bill, 2014 but they have not dropped its draconian idea. Hence, we are to continue our campaign against it and be prepared for further struggle.

3. NCCOEEE decided to impress the Government to implement the Supreme Court judgment in respect of Equal wage for Equal work for the workers engaged in power sector on casual, contractual or daily rated basis. NCCOEEE representation in this matter will be sent to both the Labour Minister and Power Minister of Government of India requesting them to impress upon all the Central / State / Private power utilities to implement the Apex Court order.
4. A national rally on the above demands will be organized at Delhi before closing of the budget session of the Parliament. In order to make the Parliament march successful and wider campaign on above issues regional conventions will be organized by end of March. Organisation wise responsibilities for the regional conventions are detailed below.

Region	Responsibility	Place	Date
Eastern	AIPF	Kolkata	Yet to be decided
Northern	EEFI	Rohtak (Haryana)	Yet to be decided
Southern	AIPEF	Bangalore	Yet to be decided
Western	AIFEE	Yet to be decided	Yet to be decided

5. NCCOEEE Constituents will write to Power and Labour Department of Central and State Governments to know the status of implementation of Supreme Court order on implementation of Equal wage for Equal work as per Right to Information Act. Shri A K Jain will develop the questionnaires.


 Prasanta N Chowdhury
 Convener