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**Press Release on 8<sup>th</sup> January Strike in Power sector**

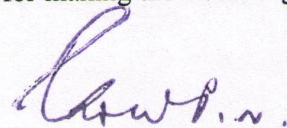
Workers and Engineers of Electricity industry took part in the strike all over the country in huge number. Workers took part in the strike directly responding to the calls of respective trade unions, while Engineers and Junior Engineers in support of the strike call, boycotted the work at the behest of NCCOEEE, the broad based National platform of Electricity Employees and Engineers.

To what extent the strike was successful or failed cannot be adjudged through statements of the Government or state owned power utilities. Best indicator is power consumption. It has been so far revealed that in last quarter of 2019 power consumption dropped to the extent of 13% in comparison to the similar period of 2018. Modi Charisma did not work in so far power consumption is concerned.

As gathered from different power system load despatch centres all over the country, the mid day system demands in different states on date fell down to the extent of 5 to 20% in comparison to normal January workday.

Northern India states are facing squally weather from winter rain. Thousands of striking workers, Junior Engineers and Engineers have mobilised in front of the state Power utility headquarters and major power installations raising placards and banners of their demands. Magnificent demonstration observed in UP, Punjab, Haryana, Chandigarh and Himachal Pradesh. In Eastern India, Power workers of Odisha and West Bengal took part in the strike including demonstration at different districts. In North east Assam and Tripura had good number participation of Striking Workers, Junior Engineers and Engineers. Strike in Kerala and Tamil Nadu remained massive, while in Karnataka only Contract Workers took part in the Strike. In Western India power workers and Engineers of Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh took part in the Strike in huge number.

NCCOEEE greets all the members of its constituent organisations for making the Strike a grand success all over the country.



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