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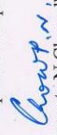
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All NCCOEEE constituent organizations have noted with utter dismay the untoward situation in Bihar as well Government of India action plan to play foul with the Electricity Industry, its consumers, employees and engineers through budget proposal for the financial year 2020-21. We are to arise on situation as planned.

Almost in all the states, electricity employees and engineers unitedly / independently organized protest demonstration last week against police atrocities with lethal attack upon peacefully demonstrating electricity employees and engineers in front of state electricity headquarters at Patna. When electricity employees and engineers from different parts of the country demanded intervention of the Chief Minister, Bihar for amicable settlement, electricity authority of Bihar instigated employees and engineers through placing Executive Engineer Surendra Kumar, as well General Secretary, Power Engineer Service Association, Bihar under suspension. In order to oppose privatization of Bihar Power Industry and unlawful suspension of Surendra Kumar NCCOEEE constituents decided to call one day Strike on 11th February, 2020.

Finance Minister, Government of India in the course of her budget speech in the Parliament on 1st February, 2020 declared the intention of the Government to privatise power distribution business within 3 years next through replacement of smart prepaid meters at the cost of Government as well Consumers. Consequentially segregation of carriage and content will be implemented to ensure multiple players in profitable distribution areas. Resultant is unprofitable area will be left upon state owned Discoms. While Government fails to create employment, this rapid replacement of postpaid meters will cause depletion of more than one lakh jobs in Power Sector.

NCCOEEE national chapter calls upon all its constituents to observe Protest Day on 11th February, 2020 through vehement demonstration all over the country to oppose privatization in the Power Sector at the cost of people and immediate withdrawal of the suspension imposed upon Surendra Kumar.


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