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**To**

**All the Zonal/Divisional/State/Regional Units**

**Dear Comrades,**

**NATIONWIDE STRIKE ON SEPTEMBER 2, A MASSIVE SUCCESS**

**The September 2, 2015 strike call by 10 Central Trade Unions and independent Associations including AIIEA was a great success. The strike was forced on the working class of this country by the government of the day which had been pursuing the anti-people, anti-worker policies. The BJP led NDA government conveniently forgot their poll promises and continued to pursue the same economic policies of the UPA government.**

**The 15 months old Shri Narendra Modi government’s record mirrors its failure in all fronts. The unemployment problem of the country continues to haunt. The promise to create 10 crore jobs is turning out to be a political ‘Jumla’. Similarly, bringing back black money remained a myth. While the slow growth in agriculture and manufacturing sector is tenacious, it is also spreading to the service sector. The tall promise of the government to arrest the price rise has fallen flat. Today the government to conceal all these failures says that the Ache Din should be looked at the right way. The attempts of the government to weaken and scuttle today’s strike call given by Central Trade Unions (CTUs) and independent Associations by spreading reports that most of the demands of the CTUs were met, is well rebutted by the working class of this country. Around 15 crores workers and employees across the country have participated in the strike to protest against the central government’s anti-people and anti-worker policies. Twelve important issues including halt to anti labour reforms, stoppage of privatization/disinvestment of PSUs, Social Security to the unorganized workers, Minimum wage of Rs. 15000/- and against FDI in Insurance Sector, Railways and Defense evoked good response from the workers and employees. The strike in Kerala and West Bengal was total. The peaceful bandh paralysed the normal life in Delhi, Odisha, Bihar and Karnataka. A near Bandh like situation was witnessed with many shops and establishments closed in various parts of Telangana. Public Transport including RTC buses and Autorikshaws were off the roads in the state. There was a massive response to the strike in Andhra Pradesh. Banks almost remained closed across the country.**

**The strike action was a massive success in LIC. According to the information available at headquarters- Berhampur Division in ECZ recorded the highest percentage with 99.46% of strike action to the total class III and IV employees followed by Visakhapatnam (SCZ) with 99.26%, and Thrissur (SZ) with 98.44%. Sambalpur, Bhubaneswar, Hazaribagh ( ECZ ), Nellore, Rajahmundry (SCZ), Amritsar (NZ), Coimbatore (SZ) and Gandhinagar (W.Z) divisions recorded above 95% strike action. The following divisions Raichur, Kadapa, Hyderabad, Udupi, Dharwad (SCZ), Jalandhar, Jammu & Kashmir, Bikaner, Ajmer(NZ), Raipur, Shahdol, Satna (CZ), Madurai, Kottayam (SZ), Kanpur, Faizabad, Meerut, Gorakhpur (NCZ) and Patna II (ECZ) have recorded above 90% strike action. The offices in Eastern Zone and Kerala state remained closed due to total bandh.**

**Similarly in General Insurance the strike action was observed successfully and the offices remained closed in Odisha, Bihar, Jharkhand West Bengal and northern states.**

**AIIEA congratulates all the employees for successfully implementing the strike action across the country.**

**With warm greetings,**

**Comradely yours,**

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**General Secretary.**