

ALL INDIA INSURANCE EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION

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To all the Zonal/Divisional/State/Regional Units:

Dear Comrades,

WORKERS MARCH TO PARLIAMENT ON 18TH FEBRUARY 2009 DEMANDING A STOP TO ALL THE ANTI WORKER ANTI PEOPLE POLICIES

The Sponsoring Committee of Trade Unions consisting of the Central Trade unions and unions in Banks, Insurance, State and Central government employees, Railways, Defence, Airlines and Airports etc., met on 6th January 2009 at New Delhi and adopted the following programmes.

* Joint Conventions in state capitals/districts and industrial centres during January 2009 and 1st week of February 2009 and

* Massive demonstration and rally before Parliament on 18th February 2009.

Accordingly the conventions at state capitals and major towns have been taking place in all the states. Preparations for the March to Parliament are also in full swing in many states.

The working class is going to assert itself before the Parliament on the 18th February 2009 through a massive rally on the following demands among others.

- 1) Stop retrenchments/lay-offs / wage cuts/ closures on the pretext of financial crisis
- 2) Halt proposed reforms of financial sector, strengthen public sector LIC, general insurance companies and banks
- 3) Scrap PFRDA Bill and stop handing over provident fund accumulations to private fund managers
- 4) Ensure strict implementation of all labour laws
- 5) Improve the Unorganized Workers' Act based on the recommendations of the Standing Committee on Labour
- 6) Provide Universal coverage to NREGS by removing the rural urban divide
- 7) Universalise the public distribution system (PDS)
- 8) Increase public investment in agricultural and social infrastructure projects

From the insurance sector, the major mobilization will be taken up by the North Zone Insurance Employees' Association and the neighbouring units. Those units should inform NZIEA, Delhi about their arrivals so that arrangements if any can be made by our Delhi comrades.

We also advise all the units across the country to hold lunch-hour rallies at all centres on 18th February 2009, in support of the demands voiced by the working class before the Parliament.

With greetings,

Comradely yours,

General Secretary.