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

Dear Comrades,

Impressive March to Parliament taken out by workers on 20th December 2012

**Trade unions call for consistent campaign to make the two day strike on
February 20-21, 2013 a grand success**

Immediately following the two day Jail Bharo programme across the country where thousands of workers courted arrest, more than 45,000 workers from various sectors turned up at Delhi to conduct a March to Parliament on 20th December 2012. Leaders from BMS, INTUC, AITUC, HMS, CITU, AIUTUC, AICCTU, UTUC, TUCC, LPF, SEWA and other central trade unions addressed the impressive rally.

AIIEA leadership consisting of Com. K. Venu Gopal, General Secretary, Com. N.K. Pachauri, Vice President, Com. R.C. Sharma, Vice President, Com. A.K. Bhatnagar, Joint Secretary and Com. Sanjeev Sharma, President, NCZIEF led the rally of the insurance employees on the parliament street. Comrades from Aligarh, Kanpur, Lucknow, Allahabad, and Meerut along with large number of comrades from Delhi participated in the rally. Around 800 insurance comrades including more than 20 women comrades took part in the rally which assembled at the Bank of Baroda building on the Parliament street, staged demonstrations and proceeded towards the meeting place.

The rally in one voice condemned the increasing atrocities on women and demanded the Government through a resolution that the culprits of the Delhi molestation case should be severely punished and without any delay.

The rally also firmly resolved that in order to reverse the anti-worker and anti-people policies of the Government, the working class should unite and make the 48 hour strike on 20th and 21st February 2013 a massive success. The march to parliament, in a way, symbolically served the strike notice on the Government on behalf of the 22 crore workers of the country. The five major demands of the workers are 1) contain price rise, 2) generate employment 3) stop disinvestment in Public Sector Undertakings 4) enforce labour laws and 5) provide universal social security cover for the workers.

By participating in the March to Parliament in large numbers, the comrades of AIIEA have demonstrated that they are ready for the campaign and struggle to defeat the neo-liberal policies and announced their resolve to make the two day strike on 20th and 21st February 2013 a tremendous success. Comrades, we shall be the partners in the strike and also in the campaign among the workers in preparation for the strike.

Comradely yours,

General Secretary.