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All members,

Dear Comrades,

Re: Com. Salomi Minz, Jt. Secretary SDLIEA, takes the plunge CPI(M) fields her as the MP candidate from Sundergarh Great Recognition to the fighting spirit of AIIEA Rise to the occasion and ensure her victory

We are proud to inform that Com. Salomi Minz, Joint Secretary of Sambalpur Division Life Insurance Employees' Association (SDLIEA) was approached by the Communist Party of India (Marxist), Orissa State Committee, to quit her job and contest the Sundergarh Parliamentary constituency as a candidate of their party. Com. Salomi, who worked as an HGA in Rourkela Branch, took no time in making up her mind even though the decision was a challenging one and readily agreed to take up the cudgels. Her decision to quit the safe confines of the LIC premises and plunge into the hustle bustle of the political world is all the more praiseworthy because she had still 11 years of service left. A Great Decision indeed! Red Salute to Com. Salomi.

Her request for voluntary retirement has already been accepted and she filed the nomination on the 30th of this month at Sundergarh accompanied by around 2000 activists of various organizations. Leadership of the four divisional units of AIIEA in Orissa in the life sector and the general insurance sector attended the programme.

The fact that a party like the CPI(M) chose Com. Salomi in spite of her being a political novice speaks volumes about her organizing abilities, her commitment to work for the poor and down trodden and above all else, her love for the people at large. Apart from being a personal feat for Com. Salomi, her candidature is an acknowledgement of the fighting spirit and unfaltering organisational commitment that our beloved organization – AIIEA- has imbued in the rank and file with a vision to usher in an egalitarian form of society. Therefore, the achievement is more organizational than it is personal.

If there is any political formation in the Indian political firmament that has stood solidly by the working people in general and the insurance employees in particular, it is undoubtedly the CPI(M). Be it the question of protection of public sector insurance, be it the question of protection of our hard earned pension benefits, be it the question of the trade union and democratic rights of the working people, be it the question of fighting the vicious communal polarization of our country or be it the paramount question of protecting our economic and political sovereignty from imperialist machinations, it is the CPI(M) that has unwaveringly played the vanguard role.

A golden opportunity knocks at our door. We can send a truly people's representative to the Parliament through a truly people's party to espouse such causes as have been very dear to us. It is very difficult to fight the electoral battle these days with parties that have enough muscle and money. But Com. Salomi Minz has ventured nevertheless. Let's all LICians rise to the occasion and liberally contribute to her electoral effort.

We wish her all success in the coming elections.

With Revolutionary Greetings,

Comradely Yours

Shreekant Mish

GENERAL SECRETARY