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Dear Comrade,

We reproduce herein below a letter addressed by AIIEA today to the Hon'ble Minister of Labour and Employment, Government of India on the issue of reduction of the interest rate on EPFO deposits from the current 8.5% to 8.1% in the FY 2021-22.

This may please be brought to the notice of all our members.

With Greetings,

Comradely Yours

Shreekant Mishen

General Secretary

Date: 15.03.2022

Shri Bhupender Yadav Hon'ble Minister for Labour and Employment Government of India New Delhi

Respected Sir,

Re: Reduction in EPFO Interest Rate for FY 2021-22

We are deeply disturbed to learn that the Central Board of Trustees of the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) has decided to recommend reduction of the interest rates on EPFO deposits from the current 8.5% to 8.1% in the financial year 2021-22. If notified, this would be the lowest interest rate in EPFO deposits in more than four decades. This move will seriously impact the earnings of over sixty million EPFO subscribers.

The reduction in interest rate would be a body blow to millions of workers already groaning under increasing inflationary pressures. You will please appreciate that EPFO deposits need a differential treatment because these are a recurring life time savings of the employees and form an important component of their social security.

We would therefore request you to kindly reconsider the decision to slash the EPFO interest rate from the prevailing 8.5% to 8.1% in the financial year 2021-22 and continue to give the existing rate of 8.5%.

Thanking You,

Yours faithfully Sd/-General Secretary