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

Dear Comrades,

## Re: 20th February 2025 One Hour Walk-Out Strike—A Huge Success

The One Hour Walk-Out Strike preceding lunch recess on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2025 called by AIIEA on the demands of Recruitment in Class III & IV cadres in LIC and Recognition to AIIEA has been hugely successful. As per reports that have been pouring in at the time of writing this circular, employees responded enthusiastically to the strike call throughout the country. Despite the tide of weddings across the country and the festivities associated with the holy Mahakumbh in the northern part of the country, employees took care to participate in the strike and register their protest.

Preliminary reports suggest that Nellore Division in South Central Zone recorded the highest percentage of strike participation by clocking a percentage of 98.09 per cent, followed by Vishakhapatnam Division (97.84%), Rajahmundry (96.96%), Kadapa (94.51%), Raichur (87.37%), Karimnagar (82.03%) and Hyderabad (80.83%). Some of the divisional units in other zones that did a brilliant job in terms of strike participation are Thrissur (91.82%), Coimbatore (90.27%), Madurai (89.73%), Thiruvananthapuram (89.24%), Thanjavur (88.74%), Kottayam (86.2%), Tirunelveli (80.95%) and Ernakulam (80.74%) in South Zone; Hazaribagh(93.08%), Cuttack (92.23%), Bhubaneswar (90.08%), Sambalpur (87.93%), Bhagalpur (87.69%), Berhampur (84.86%) and Begusarai (82.52%) in East Central Zone; Jalandhar (88.30%), Amritsar (84.95%), Srinagar (82.54%) and Rohtak (81.54%) in Northern Zone; Faizabad (Ayodhya) 90.2%, Allahabad (88.6%), Kanpur (86.1%), Gorakhpur (84.1%), Haldwani (81.3%) and Meerut (80%) in North Central Zone; Burdwan (82%), KSDO (80%), Jalpaiguri (79%) in Eastern Zone; Raipur and Satna Divisional units under Central Zone have both recorded 83.74 per cent strike percentage. Gandhinagar Division in Western Zone reported 82.71 per cent strike participation. It is to be noted that a large number of divisional units across the country have reported strike percentage of around 75 per cent and absenteeism in excess of 80 per cent. The Strike action, therefore, has been a resounding success.

One has to note that the strike action was preceded by AIIEA's numerous rounds of discussions with the management on the issue, our letters to the management on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024 and 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024, Lunch Hour Demonstrations on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2025, mass deputations to the Officers-in-Charge followed by Lunch Hour Demonstrations on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2025 and Strike Notice served on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2025. The strike action therefore did not come as a bolt from the blue. The huge success of the strike all over the country goes on to demonstrate in clear terms the firm resolve of the employees to intensify their struggle on their legitimate demands.

AllEA congratulates all the employees in LIC for the magnificent strike action and calls upon them to remain prepared for intensified struggles in the future against the proposed FDI hike in insurance from 74 to 100 per cent, against the Insurance Laws Amendment Bill, against the Labour Codes that are going to be implemented by scrapping 29 labour laws of the country and all other anti-people policies being pursued by the ruling class today.

With Revolutionary Greetings,

Comradely Yours Shreekants Mishin General Secretary