

EAST CENTRAL ZONE INSURANCE EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION

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To
All the Members,

ECZIEA SECRETARIAT DECIDED TO CARRY FORWARD THE DECISIONS OF THE 26TH CONFERENCE OF AIEA HELD AT KOLKATA.

The ECZIEA secretariat met at Patna on 17th Feb'2023 to discuss and carry forward the decisions of the 26th Conference of AIEA for their effective implementation at the grass root level to give a boost to our organizational activities.

It was the first meeting of the newly elected Secretariat after the culmination of the 6th General Conference of ECZIEA. The Secretariat was in unanimity while appreciating the efforts and the dedication of the valiant comrades of Patna 1 & 2 for the successful holding of the ECZIEA conference. The Secretariat conveyed warm greetings and Red Salute to all the Comrades for their all round contributions to make the conference a grand success.

The ECZIEA secretariat was very much proud of our Comrades of West Bengal for very successfully holding the historic 26th Conference of AIEA. Their commitment towards the organisation has reaffirmed the spirit that "AIEA always challenge the challenges". The Secretariat of ECZIEA conveyed revolutionary greetings to all the Comrades of West Bengal for their strong commitment to hold the conference in a very difficult political situation.

The secretariat discussed the decisions taken by AIEA and decided the followings.

1. International Women's Day (8th March'23)

It is decided that International Women's Day will be celebrated throughout the Zone jointly with the Central Trade Unions and independent Federations /Associations and the theme of the observance will be "Struggle in Unity for Equal Rights". Our units will decide the nature of programme in consultation with other trade unions. Since 8th March is Holi, it is decided that the programme will be organised between 8th to 15th March. Mass mobilisation of women comrades to celebrate the event in a befitting manner should be ensured.

2. Two hours Walk-Out Strike in March'23.

ECZIEA secretariat welcomed the decision of two hours Walk-Out Strike by AIEA on the issue of Family Pension, 14% Management contribution in NPS, Restoration of Old Pension Scheme and recruitment of Class 3 & Class 4 employees. It is decided that employees will be mobilised through continuous meetings for successful observance of the strike.

3. Seminar on Inflation, Unemployment and Communalism.

Inflation becomes a serious concern for a common citizen. The workers and poor are the worst sufferer. At the end of January'23, the retail inflation is 6.52%, which is highest of last three months. The rise in the price of food grains, spices, Edible oil, and other essential items hovers around 16% to 21%. The price of cooking gas touched a new height.

The unemployment situation is very grim. A large number of educated youth are compelled to opt for a contract job with very less remuneration, although more than 16 lakh vacancies are there in government sector only. The situation worth pondering that for 300 vacancies of AAO, more than 6 lakh aspirants applied for the posts. Due to rampant privatisation, the Central Government is not willing to offer any permanent job. The Finance Minister in her budget speech has said that the budget is meant to improve the quality of life of poor and common man, but no action of government match these words. Reduction in the budgetary allocation of MNREGA, Health and Education proves the intention of the government. The present Govt. is distancing itself from the welfare of its own people.

Communalism is an issue which is affecting workers and poor, the most. The divisive policy of the communal forces is constantly trying to divide the workers on religious lines. It is also promoting the identity politics to attack the organised trade union struggles.

Under the circumstances, as decided by AIIEA in its 26th Conference, the ECZIEA secretariat unanimously decided to organise at least one Seminar in a major centre in each Division on the above topics.

4. Zonal Level Trade Union Class.

The secretariat of ECZIEA decided that separate T.U. classes will be organised for Divisional/Zonal leaders/cadres and the newly recruited assistants joined in the corporation. It is also decided that Zonal Level T.U. class for the leaders will be organised by IEAHD and IEAJD consented to hold the TU class for our new comrades.

Beside the above issues, the secretariat discussed the situation arose after publication of Hindenburg report. The secretariat strongly condemned the crony capitalism out of the nexus between Corporates and the Politicians. It has demanded an independent enquiry of the Adani's shell companies and the inflow of black money into our country through Hawala and others.

On the other hand, the secretariat reposed faith on the investment of LIC and said that the institution is capable to handle any unwarranted situation. The money of the policyholders is quite safe and we are always at a profit in our investments at stock market. The Secretariat decided that our Comrades will organise meetings for our employees/agents and policyholders to appraise them the actual facts.

It is also decided that all efforts will be taken to protect our beloved institution- LIC of India. LIC is our ideological commitment and we will continue our effort and struggle for the growth and protection of the industry.

With revolutionary greetings,

Comradely yours



General Secretary