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To,
The Presidents/General Secretaries,
All the members,
Of all the Units/Circles of ITGOA and ITEF.

Dear Comrades,

On behalf of the Central JCA **we convey our sincere gratitude and thanks to our leaders and members of all Units/Circles for the performance of total participation in the one day strike action on 16-03-2017.** Continuously on several occasions we were able to ensure cent percent participation of our members in the strike actions, after registering such a feat in 2008 for the first time. We convey our congratulations and felicitations to all our members, especially the leaders of the Units/Circles and Branches who undertook strenuous efforts in making the hundred percent participation of our members possible. While we must rejoice over this, as a responsible and militant organization, we also should address the deficiencies that lie hidden in the form of non participation of non-members or those who had applied for leave etc. on the eve of the strike or the casual/ daily rated workers attending office etc. while there can be justification for their non participation being non members, it is necessary that we must explore the possibilities as to how to avert such eventualities if at all it exists.

We are also to report you, **two unfortunate and condemnable incidents that have taken place on 16-03-2017, one at Aayakar Bhawan, Kolkata and the other at Aayakar Bhawan, Ahmedabad.** It is customary on the strike day in Kolkata that the active workers, Branch secretaries, Unit/Circle office bearers etc. of both ITGOA and ITEF to sit in Dharna at Aayakar Bhawan after the Strike has commenced. The permission from the Administration is sought and obtained for the said purpose. 16-03-2017 was no different. However a few of the non members with the help of outsiders disturbed the Dharna and created hooliganism by threatening JCA leaders with nasty languages. The local administration was informed of the matter immediately but the administration (CIT, Addl.CIT and DCIT) instead of asking police and the above mentioned three employees and goonda elements to leave the premises asked the leaders and members of JCA to disband the Dharna and disperse. For the sake of not disturbing the peace the leaders had to request their members to leave the premise, though there had been vehement resentment from them. The JCA, WB held a massive jatha programme in all buildings and called for demonstration before office of the Pr. CCIT, Aayakar Bhawan, Kolkata on 20th March 2017 and asked the Pr. CCIT to take action against the organisers of hooliganism. The JCA, WB received any assurance from the Pr. CCIT so far, may be out of fear of political patronage of the persons involved.

The incident at Ahmedabad was the product of the authoritarian trend now visible in some police personnel. All our leaders and active comrades were detained by a police Inspector of Navrangapura

police station without even assigning the reason for such high handed action. Since he was accompanied by two vanload of police personnel accompanied by several media channels, it is indicative of a deliberately pre-planned attempt to defeat the strike. The very fact that employees entered the office premise immediately and the timely intervention of the Pr. CCIT, Ahemedabad through Senior Police Officers ensured the release of all detained officials within half-an-hour and averted an otherwise volatile situation.

The JCA must register its protest to the Pr.CCIT, WB & Sikkim region against his attitude and convey our thanks to his counterpart at Ahamedabad. **All Units of JCA are requested to send a Resolution to the CBDT through proper channel on 21-03-2017.** We append here under the draft resolution to be adopted and forwarded to the Chairman, CBDT through respective Pr. CCsIT to take positive initiative to avoid further incidents.

Once again thanking and congratulating all of you.

Yours fraternally,



(Bhaskar Bhattacharya)



(Rupak Sarkar)

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RESOLUTION

This meeting of Joint Council of Action of _____ Unit hereby congratulate the Gujarat and West Bengal units for their admirable stand to oppose the brutal suppression of legitimate rights by the respective State Police personnel. While the police in West Bengal was in collaboration with certain disgruntled elements in the ranks of the employees/hooligans, in Gujarat the Police could not elicit the support of a single individual employee for their nefarious objective of dismantling strike through State power. This meeting places on record its appreciation for timely intervention of the authorities of Gujarat, which could avert an otherwise untenable and authoritarian approach of the State police. With vehemence the meeting deplores the partisan and anti-employee attitude of the office of the Pr. CCIT, Kolkata and calls upon him that it is his responsibility, keeping with the high tradition, to be impartial and take appropriate action against the culprits/employees involved in this incident.