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TO ALL UNIONS AND MEMBERS:

Dear Comrades,

DATES OF GENERAL STRIKE CHANGED TO 28th AND 29th, MARCH, 2022

Units and members are aware that our Central Committee has already endorsed and welcomed the call of the National Convention of Workers to observe countrywide General Strike on 23rd and 24th February, 2022. Accordingly, our unions have also started preparing for the strike action.

In the meantime, some of our States and Unions informed us of the difficulties being faced by them in mobilisation of our members in view of the increasing cases of infection under the Omicron virus and the various restrictions in place by the concerned State Governments. It was also brought to our attention that in Uttar Pradesh, one phase of election will be there on 23rd February, 2022 and hence many bank employees and others will be drafted for election work which will hamper the strike mobilisation and participation. It was also noticed that the first phase of Budget Session will conclude on 11th February and the second phase will commence on 14th March.

Hence, the issue was discussed in our AIBEA Office Bearers meeting on 24-1-2022. After discussion, the meeting decided that the matter needs to be taken up with the Central Trade Unions for a possible change of dates for the strike in order to make it more effective and looking to the above constraints and reasons.

We are informed that yesterday, a meeting of Joint Platform of Central Trade Unions was held in which the views received from us and other Unions were discussed and the meeting decided to change the date of strike from 23/24 Feb. to **28th and 29th March, 2022 (Monday and Tuesday) which will coincide with the Budget session.**

All are requested to take due note of the change of strike dates.

With greetings,

**C.H. VENKATACHALAM
GENERAL SECRETARY**

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THE DATES FOR 2 DAYS COUNTRYWIDE STRIKE CHANGED TO MAR 28, 29

The online meeting of the Joint Platform of Central Trade Unions and Sectoral Federations/ Associations held on 28.01.2022 has changed the dates for Two Days' Countrywide General Strike Against the Anti-worker, Anti-people, Anti-national Policies of the Govt. to 28-29 March, 2022 from the earlier dates of 23-24 February, 2022.

The meeting recalled the decision of the National Convention of Workers held on 11th November 2021 to organize two days countrywide General Strike during the Budget Session of Parliament in 2022 and accordingly the dates of the strike on 23-24th February 2022 were decided in the joint meeting of the Platform held on 3rd December 2021.

The meeting noted that preparations for the strike have taken-off in several states and sectors, with joint state level conventions and even district level conventions having taken place in some states.

However, several states have also reported severe constraints placed on strike preparations due to rising third wave of Omicron pandemic. Besides, several factors such as one phase of state assembly elections in UP falling on 23rd February, local body elections in Tamilnadu, Odisha, West Bengal etc. close to 23-24 February were taken note of. Therefore, the Joint Platform of the CTUs and Sectoral Federations/ Associations have **decided to defer the General Strike dates to 28-29 March, 2022**, when the second phase of the Budget Session of Parliament will actually be in session.

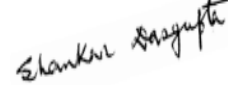
The Joint Platform of CTUs calls upon the working people and their unions irrespective of affiliations to intensify the ongoing preparatory campaign and activities to make the Two Days **Countrywide General Strike on 28-29 March 2022** a massive success to assert their pledge to Save the People and Save the Nation from the destructive, anti-national policy regime. The Joint Platform also calls upon the workers and their trade unions in the election-bound states to vigorously campaign for defeating the BJP Govt. whose policies have forced the National Convention of Workers to give a call for two days countrywide strike.



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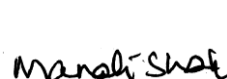

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