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National Convention Demands: Save the Transport Industry & Enact Social Security Act Protect and Strengthen STUs

All India Road Transport Workers' Federation (AIRTWF) organized national Conventions of STUs and Private Transport separately on 09th and 10th December in Delhi. The conventions discussed the conditions in STUs and the entire Transport Sector. Both the conventions unanimously demanded the Central Government to negotiate with the Trade Unions and adopt suitable policy decisions to save the industry and to resolve the issues faced by the workers. The conventions also endorsed the decisions of the Central Trade Unions call for General Strike on 23rd & 24th February-2022 and appealed to make the strike a historic one.

Transport is the life line of any economy in the world. Ironically, this vital and key industry is thrown in serious financial crisis due to the retrograde policies of the Central Government. Ever increasing fuel prices, Insurance premium, Toll Tax are the core issues. Alongside the harassment by Police and other Officials has become the order of the day. The Transport Workers in the unorganized sector like Auto, Taxi, truck, Private Bus do not get any statutory benefits. Social Security Act should be enacted for these workers.

All the State Road Transport Corporations (RTCs) in the country are passing through acute financial crisis even not in a position to pay the salaries in time in some RTCs.

Delegates from across the country have explained the situation prevailing in their areas and it is unanimously resolved to fight back the retrograde policies of the Central Government to save the Transport sector and the nation at large and demanded the Government to resolve the following issues. (Immediate and burning issues are enclosed here with).

The Convention in a resolution hailed the farmers in the country for their year long struggle and the great victory. In another resolution the convention expressed its support and solidarity to the struggling Maharashtra RTC Workers, Punjab Punbus and PRTC Workers.

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