

All India Road Transport Workers' Federation

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To, Shi.B.S. Yediyurappa Ji, Hon.ble. Chief Minister, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore.

Respected Sir,

Sub: KSRTC Workers Strike- Requested your intervention to settle the demands-Regarding.

I would like to draw your kind attention to the subject matter. The workers of KSRTC are in strike from yesterday demanding the wage revision which is due from January 2020. After all the efforts to settle the issue democratically are failed, they were compelled to go on strike. People of Karnataka state are suffering a lot particularly the poor and middle class sections because of the strike. Your kind attention is invited to intervene and settle the demands.

I am sorry to state that the Government instead of resolving the issues imposing all sorts of repressive measures. The move of the Government to issue permits to all modes of the private operators for one is highly condemnable. It is aimed at to crush the striking workers. But in the long range it will be harmful for the Government and the welfare of the state. Further, the Government issued notices to the trainees to report for duties rather they will be terminated. All India Road Transport Workers' Federation strongly condemns the adamant and repressive attitude of the Government. It sincerely appeals to the Government to have negotiations with the Unions immediately and settle the issues.

In all the establishments either in the private sector or in the public sector, where ever there are registered Trade Unions, negotiations will be held with the Unions to reach to an amicable settlement. Even the Pay Revision Commissions at the State and Central level will hold negotiations with the Employees Associations before submitting their recommendations to the respective Governments. In turn, the Governments will also have negotiations with the Employees Associations. This is well established and a democratic way of settlements. Ironically, in KSRTC for more than two decades this has been brushed away and the Government unilaterally announces the decisions.

Your kind authority is once again requested to intervene and settle the issues amicably and to restore the services.

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