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Lift the restrictions on heavy vehicles at the border between West Bengal and Jharkhand

The All India Road Transport Workers' Federation is shocked to know that thousands of heavy vehicles are stranded along NH-2 & NH-4 near West Bengal- Jharkhand border. AIRTWF demands the Government of West Bengal to immediately allow the vehicles to move normally.

It is reported in the media that the Government of West Bengal has suddenly imposed some restrictions not to allow the other state Heavy vehicles in to West Bengal on the issue of release of water from Maithon and Panchet Dams operated by Damodar Valley Corporation.

There may be issues between the Border States. Those issues are to be sorted out at the Government level. But people should not be put to suffer for the disputes between the states. In this case, thousands of Heavy Vehicle Drivers and cleaners are made scapegoats without any fault of them. Not only the Jharkhand State Vehicles. It is reported that around 10 Vehicles of Maharashtra are also stranded there. These Transport Workers are suffering a lot for Drinking water food etc.

All India Road Transport Workers' Federation demands the Government of West Bengal to lift the restrictions immediately and allow the Heavy Vehicles in to West Bengal.

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