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CITU PROTESTS AGAINST USE OF DIR
TO WATERDOWN RECOMMENDATIONS OF
EXPERT COMMITTEE ON PRICE INDEX-

Com. B. T. Ranadive, President CITU has issued the following
CITU CONDEMNS POLICE FIRING IN BIHAR

The Centre of Indian Trade Unions strongly condemns the West Bengal Government for involving DIR to waterdown the recommendations of the Expert Committee on Consumer Price Index Numbers for Calcutta and depriving lakhs of workers in West Bengal of their legitimate demands.

Com. B. T. Ranadive, President CITU has issued the following statement to the Press:

"The Centre of Indian Trade Unions strongly condemns the reckless firing by the Bihar Police on the people of Bihar during the Bihar Bundh agitation since 3rd October resulting in killing of 14 persons and injuring to several others. The CITU also condemns the imposition of Curfew in Patna and 5 other towns. More than 2000 persons have been arrested during the agitations.

The CITU demands immediate punishment to guilty officials responsible for the police firing and other repressive measures and calls upon the people of Bihar to resist the attacks on their democratic rights and civil liberties .

The CITU congratulates the people of Bihar for their united struggle against the anti-people policies of the Congress Government and assures them Solidarity in their struggle".

The Government choose this path despite its earlier commitment in the West Bengal State Labour Advisory Board which only proves its mala fide intentions in the matter.

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The CITU demands immediate withdrawal of this draconian order and full implementation of the recommendations of the

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The CITU calls upon the workers of West Bengal and urges all the Central Trade Unions to launch joint and powerful movement against this order so that the West Bengal Government is compelled to accept the recommendations of the Expert Committee in full.

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