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CITU CONGRATULATES STATE GOVERNMENT
EMPLOYEES ON THEIR UNITED MOVEMENT

Com. B. T. Ranadive, President CITU wrote the following letter to Com. Arabindo Ghosh, President, All India State Government Employees Federation:

"The CITU congratulates the several lakhs of State Government employees throughout the Country for their magnificent one day strike on 9th April demanding need-based minimum wages pending which parity with Central Government employees, cent per cent neutralisation and for trade union and democratic rights. The CITU is happy to note that the State Government employees have taken up the cause of entire democratic movement and demanded adequate supply of foodgrains and other essential commodities at cheap prices for all the people and made it an issues for this strike action.

This unprecedented action of the State Government employees has brought about the unity and solidarity of their movement all over the Country. Despite disruptive attempts and intimidation by the authorities, by and large, the State Government employees remained firm and united which was clearly witnessed in this glorious action on 9th April. On behalf of the CITU, I convey greetings to the All India State Government Employees Federation for giving a bold leadership to the 4 million State Government employees in their struggle for achievement of longstanding demands.

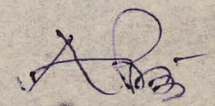
The conditions of the State Government employees are growing from bad to worse and they have been denied even parity with the Central Government employees. Their struggle therefore is fully justified and the entire Trade Union movement must rally behind them in their struggle.

I am confident that the unity achieved in this struggle will be further strengthened in future which will pave the way for more powerful struggles to achieve the legitimate demands of the State Government employees.

The CITU will continue to support every struggle of the State Government employees in the forthcoming days".

The News Editor

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