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My dear friends

Warm Greetings and Best Wishes to all of you and your family members on the Happy and Auspicious occasion of Diwali, Bandi Chhor Divas, Bhayia Dooj and varieties of festivals being celebrated with much pomp and glory across the country.

Congratulations! Congratulations! To all the worthy teachers for the implementation of 7th Pay Commission by the Punjab Government which was the long-pending demand of the teachers' fraternity.

We are highly thankful to our Visionary and Man of His Words, Revered **Chief Minister, S. Bhagwant Singh Mann** for the graceful implementation of 7th Pay Commission on Teachers' Day, September 5, 2022 as a gift to the teaching faculty. We acknowledge the whole hearted support of our Respected **Education Minister, S. Gurmeet Singh Meht Hayer and Finance Minister, S. Harpal Singh Cheema** for unflinching efforts and stupendous hard work behind implementation of this pay commission and bringing fruitful results. We also acknowledge the endless support from all the officials of Higher Education Department and especially thankful to **Sh. A.Venuparsad, Principal Secretary to CM.**

During months of August and September 2022, a lot of Activities, both agitation and meetings, were held for the implementation of 7th pay commission. Details are as follows:

STRUGGLE AT PFUCTO LEVEL

In this connection, the first Rally was held at Punjab Agriculture University Ludhiana, on 10/08/2022 in order to mobilize the cadre for future agitation. In a meeting of PFUCTO at PAU Ludhiana it was decided to hold Campus Dharna on 22nd September and 25th September, 2022. Further, it was decided to hold **Rally on 5th September, 2022** at Barnala (Home constituency, Minister of Higher Education). However, the rally slated for 5th September, 2022 was postponed due to promise made by Higher Education Department to implement the 7th pay commission and accordingly Hon'ble S. Bhagwant Singh Mann, CM Punjab announced the implementation of 7th pay commission on Teachers' Day, September 5, 2022.

MEETINGS

After the formation of new government in Punjab, we started lobbying with them. As a result, we were able to get two meetings with government under the banner of PFUCTO. Prof. Bahadar Singh, EC member and Prof. Tara Singh, District President Sangrur and Barnala met the Higher Education Minister on dated 20/08/2022 to seek official meeting. The office bearers of PFUCTO met the Finance Minister on 23/08/2022 and got official meeting for 26/05/2022 which matured on 28/08/2022. The meeting was held in a very positive environment and officials assured that the 7th pay commission would be implemented very soon.

National Executive Committee Meeting:

A meeting of the National Executive Committee was held at Anna University Chennai, Tamil Naidu. Dr. Gurdas Singh Sekhon, General Secretary PCCTU and Prof. Sukhdev Singh Randhawa, EC Member attended the said meeting on 31/08/2022. Dr. Gurdas Singh Sekhon raised the issue of non-implementation of 7th pay commission and other issues of college and university teachers in Punjab. The NEC solidly passed a resolution in favour of Punjab teachers to support them for the non-implementation of 7th pay commission.

AIFUCTO PROGRAMME:

National Executive Body Meeting of AIFUCTO held at Chennai on 31st August, 2022 has decided to organize a Dharna Program in front of UGC office, New Delhi from 16th November to 18th November 2022 during the office hours (11.00 a.m. to 03.00 p.m.). AIFUCTO is also pained to inform you that the Central Government as well as the UGC is hell bent upon imposing a retrograde policy on the collective wisdom of the nation. It is now our bound duty to respond to the challenges and make our Dharna a grand success. All the office bearers of AIFUCTO and senior leaders of neighboring states (Like UP, Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan, MP, Uttarakhand, HP, etc.) are requested to remain present in all the three days during Dharna program in Delhi.

Schedule of the Dharna Program:

- 16.11.2022: UP (Part-1): Punjab, Haryana, MP, West Bengal, Tripura, Odisha and Jharakhand.
- 17.11.2022: UP (Part-2): Rajasthan, Tamilnadu, Kerala, Bihar, Pondicherry, Andhra Pradesh, Telengana.
- 18.11.2022: Maharastra, Tamilnadu, Kerala, Karnataka Gujrat, Goa and all NE states (Assam, Manipur, Nagaland, Meghalaya, Mizoram and others).

Please mobilize and organize massively in your districts and exhibit our strength before a lethargic and stubborn government.

MEETING WITH DAV COLLEGES MANAGING COMMITTEE:

A meeting was scheduled with DAV Colleges Managing Committee New Delhi on 20/09/2022 with PADMA SHREE Dr. PUNAM SURI JI, President, DAV CMC in his office at New Delhi. A delegation of Dr. Vinay Sopath, Dr. Gurdas Singh Sekhon, Dr. BB Yadav, Dr. Manu Sood and Prof. SS Randhawa met the DAV CMC officials on the said date. The issues of teachers working in DAV Colleges such as CAS promotion, Pending Salaries in various colleges of Punjab and some organisational matters were discussed. It was decided in the meeting that all the CAS promotions from 6000 to 7000 and 7000 to 8000 AGP cases would be cleared in the OBC meeting held in October, 2022. However, the CAS promotion as Associate Professor was not clinched in the meeting but the worthy President assured the delegation that they were ready to pay but asked for more time to do the same. They agreed to release the Pending Salaries grant to the colleges under financial crisis. Though many issues of teachers concerning DAV colleges were settled during last few months, some are still pending. These would be resolved soon.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING OCTOBER 16, 2022:

PCCTU EC met on October, 16, 2022 at DAV College Jalandhar. We are grateful to Principal Dr. Rajesh Kumar for the warm welcome and facilities provided. We are thankful to the local Unit especially Dr. Manu Sood, Prof. Sukhdev Singh Randhawa, Prof. Sanjay Sharma, Prof. Rajeev Puri, Prof. Monika Chopra and Prof. Renuka Chopra for the hospitality extended to EC members. Meeting was presided over by Dr. Vinay Sopath, the worthy President. In this meeting, following decisions were taken unanimously:-

1. A committee was formed in the light of letter issued by the Government of Punjab to merge the B.Ed. colleges with degree colleges with the same management in order to explore the worth of this policy of the government. They are requested to submit the report by 15/11/2022.

Committee Members:

- ✓ Prof. Yogesh Sharma Distt. President Kapurthala
- ✓ Prof. Vikas Kumar Distt. President Nawanshahr

2. A committee was also formed to reconnoitre the implications of National Education Policy-2020 and requested to submit their report by 16/11/2022.

Committee Members:

- Prof. Sarvjit Singh Bhatia (Coordinator)
- Prof. Jagmohan Mago
- Prof. Surjit Singh (Chandigarh)
- Prof. Sanjeev Dhawan
- Prof. Raman Kumar

3. A Brochure would be published on the finding of the above committee regarding National Education Policy implications.
4. The legal fight on the issue of PF on total salary was also discussed and it was decided that all the district presidents are requested to get the detailed information of teachers who are ready to fight on legal basis because all the teachers will become the party to get the benefit. The district presidents are advised to submit the data up to 16/11/2022.
5. All the district presidents should also get the information of pending salary of teachers in various colleges of their respective districts.
6. The EC unanimously passed a resolution that PCCTU would not accept any parallel functioning of any other organisation.
7. EC unanimously resolved to oppose the appointment of Professionals from Industrial sector as Principals.
8. EC advised that we should press upon the state government for 100% grant for all the teachers working in the Non-Government aided colleges in Punjab.
9. EC passed a resolution in favour of Non-Teaching employees working in Aided colleges for the implementation of 6th Pay Commission for them as per the pattern of Punjab government employees as soon as possible.
10. EC also warned the Managements who have not passed resolutions to regularise the teachers appointed against aided posts. (1925 Posts)

Organizational Activities:

PCCTU continues with much energy to strengthen the organization and to make it vibrant and dynamic to translate the aspirations of the members. In order to decentralize the working, the following conveners were appointed:

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| ➤ State Women Wing Convener | Dr. Seema Jaitly, BBK DAV College Amritsar |
| ➤ Women Wing Convener Punjab University | Prof. Amritpal Kaur, DAV College Ferozpur |
| ➤ Women Wing Convener GNDU | Prof. Ashmeen Kaur, HNV College Jalandhar |
| ➤ Women Wing Convener Punjabi University | Prof. Bhupinder Kaur, Akal Degree College Mastuana Sahib |
| ➤ Convener DAV Colleges | Prof. BB Yadav, DAV College Amritsar |
| ➤ Convener SGPC Colleges | Prof. Sarvjit Singh Bhatia, Khalsa College Patiala |

PCCTU also endorses the efforts made by Prof. Bhupinder Singh Virk, President Punjabi University Teachers Association Patiala to arrange meetings with the state government which has brought fruitful results. We are also thankful to the whole leadership of PFUCTO for their endless efforts for the implementation of 7th Pay Commission. EC requested the members who were absent in the first EC meeting, to ensure their presence in the future.

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Yours truly,



Dr. Gurdas Singh Sekhon
General Secretary