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Dated: October 28th, 2021

Shri Narendra Damodardas Modi Ji,

Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, New Delhi

Through: The Chairman, [Aryavart Bank]

Sub: "Nationwide Demonstration" by all Bharatiya Mazdoor Sangh affiliated Public Sector Unions and State units on 28/10/2021 against the Policies of the Government, "Save Public Sectors, Save Nation".

Respected Sir,

At the outset, we wish to compliment your leadership in context of accomplishing 100 crore Covid-19 vaccination mark and congratulate your Government and involved Corona warriors for handling most of the situations during COVID-19. However, being a part of nation's largest and most responsible trade union, we do not agree with some of your Government's decisions in regard with the valuable national assets of the country i.e. Public Sectors Undertakings, that have been taken lately or are being taken now. Although, we believed that unlike your predecessor governments, you and your government will not become a mere pawn of bureaucrats or advisors with vested interests and will not fulfil their silent campaign of anti-public sectors but it seems to be a misconception.

It is pertinent to mention here that as always, we being part of a non-political and nationalist trade union, have given our contribution/support to the government in every possible manner during this time of crises. As you are already aware that the philosophy of BMS is "Responsive Cooperation", we did not wish to take any strong step rather preferred to resolve the issues by the means of talks. In this regard, we one-sided tried to approach you and your ministers many times but now we have realised that the government is in no temperament to work for the worker of the country, hence there is no choice left with us but to agitate and fight to safeguard our rights.

Hence, we would like to submit that as per the decision taken in the Kendriya Karya Samiti of of Bharatiya Mazdoor Sangh (BMS) held at Ayodhya in August 2021, all the affiliated unions of BMS in central Public Sector Undertakings comprising of sectors viz. Coal, Non-Coal, Mining, Banking, Insurance, Steel, Shipping, Port & Dock, Railways, Defence, Postal and Public Sector Employees National Confederation (comprising of Telecom, Oil & Gas (ONGC, BPCL, GAIL, IOCL, OIL INDIA, NRL, MRPL), Power, Aviation, Coins & Currency, FCl, NHPC, Power Grid, GAIL, BHEL, NALCO, NLC, HAL, HMT, BEL, ITI, BDL, ALIMCO, Balmer Lawrie, HNL, FACT, IREL, ECIL, NEEPCO, THDC, Instrumentation, BSNL/MTNL, NTPC, Mother Dairy, ITDC and other Sectors), under the banner of Public Sector Coordination Committee and all State Units will hold a Nationwide Demonstration on 28/10/2021 with the objective of "Save Public Sectors, Save Nation" against the policies of the Governemnt viz. Privatisation, Disinvestment, Corporatization, Strategic Sale and Asset Monetization of Public Sector Undertakings.

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It is a normal phenomenon that one has the sole right to continue or discontinue only those, which are being started by oneself. Although, when it comes to discontinuing any past practise, any reasonable government shall do an analysis before taking such drastic decisions. The rich history of the struggle, survival, contribution, self-reliance and long service to the nation of these public sectors, which are being nourished by the sweat of so many generations has not been taken into the account while taking such brutal decisions. These sectors were started after independence with the aim to make India self-reliant. It seems to be a crude irony that today even after more than 70 years of independence, when the Prime Minister of India talks about making India self-reliant, his Government takes the decision of subsiding one of the strongest pillars of the development of the country i.e. Public Sectors. It is a known fact that the Central Public Sector Undertakings have proven themselves as the backbone of the country by constructively and tirelessly contributing in the infrastructure growth, supplying essential services to masses, providing strategic support to defence sector and providing uninterrupted supply of energy across the country.

While keeping in account the several references of the contribution of PSUs in the past calamities, we wish to bring your notice to the selfless service provided by these Public Sectors once again during the current difficult time faced by the country. When you appealed the whole country to switch-off the lights to pay gratitude towards the COVID-19 warriors, Power Grid worked at double-pace to avoid any sort of instability due to sudden power-off nationwide or providing uninterrupted supply of fuel, communication, ventilators production, several services by Aviation, FCI etc. It is time, when you must compare and analyse the contribution of Public Sectors and Private Sectors during this hard time. Leave aside the contribution, the Government of India appeared to be helpless in front of private sectors; as they even did not comply to the request/order of the government of handling the current situation in respect of their workers with humanity. The government appealed to the private sectors not to do retrenchments or pay cuts, to which the private sectors plainly denied. They are not in the business to fulfil their human responsibility; their prime objective is to earn profit and will remain to be the same. On the contrary, the Public Sectors of the country, who are already badly struck by the sudden lockdown in the country are unparallely serving the humanity. India is a country of rich cultural values, if we consider the relationship between the Government of India and Public Sectors, the latter can be seen as the child of the first. It is the prime responsibility of the Government to run the PSUs, but it seems that the Government is selfishly willing to rely and command the PSUs in the times of need and in return, in the name of so called loss or need of revenue not hesitating to even sell out its own biggest reliable earning strength. Time and again, the Government of India has declared that "Government has no business to be in business". We feel the government must introspect and analyse if its motto is clear in its own functionary because most of the times these two seem to be in contradiction.

India has witnessed many critical situations, but after facing each of such situations the PSUs in core sectors like Oil, Steel, Coal, Power, Telecom, Engineering, Defence, Railways have become self-reliant and grown to new heights. These *PSUs have contributed by*:

- Rescuing the Indian economy during the worldwide economic recession.
- Producing efficient and quality products.
- Contributing approximately 10% to 12% to the GDP.
- Being major source of revenue generation for the Government.
- Paying dividend to the exchequer,
- Increasing the procurement from MSMEs and releasing the payments to the small-scale industries/units (it has played a vital role in quality employment generation)

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- Spending approximately Rs. 40,000 Crore on Corporate Social Responsibility: Swach Bharat Mission, Rural Development, Education, Health Care and Sanitation, Skill Development etc.

The CPSUs have been established with a lot of efforts and huge infrastructure, hence, it is rationale and imperative to continue the smooth working of the PSUs. The decision of letting go the access of PSUs in private players' hands will be proven as a catastrophe as government will never be able to attain the sold land or machinery of these PSUs. In addition, the government shall never be able to establish again this huge infrastructure which is the largest and most valuable asset of the country.

In view of the above, we once again raise our request to your good self to take the proper insight of the reality and *resolve the issues pertaining to the CPSUs viz.:*

- Stoppage of Privatization, Disinvestment, Strategic Sale, Corporatization, and Asset Monetization of PSUs,
- > Stoppage of Corporatization of Defence Ordinance sector,
- Stoppage of Strategic sale of PSUs,
- Stoppage of Increasing FDI cap,
- > Stoppage of Merger of Banks, Public Sector Insurance companies.
- Stoppage of Commercialization of Coal Sector,
- Stoppage of Anti-worker changes in labour laws,
- > Revival package for BSNL and MTNL which is not implemented in full.
- Implementation of 3rd PRC in remaining Public Sectors like BSNL, MTNL, ITI etc.
- Revision of pension for retired employees.
- Revival and diversification of sick PSUs.
- > Stoppage of Disinvestment of BPCL
- Formation of Rashtriya Gramin Bank
- All 43 RRBs be made Associate Members of IBA & Part of Wage Revision Negotaitions
- Release of Computer Increment/ FPP being Part of Pay, Ex Servicemen Fitment as per IBA Clarification
- ➢ Issuance of Comprehensive Revised Orders of XIth Bipartite Settlement/ Officers Joint Note Maintaining Parity , Release of Learning Allowance to Officers being Pay Slip Component and Apex Court Mandamus
- Release of other allowances and benefits including Lease Accommodation, Petrol, Officiating Allowance etc.
- Amendment in Promotion and Appointment rules at Par with Sponsor Banks
- > Compassionate Appointment Scheme on Par with Sponsor Banks viz. 05.08.2014
- > Pension to all, effective date 01.11.1993, VRS optees etc
- Gratuity Payment reckon Dearness Allowance for Officers
- Absorption and regularization of Daily Wagers and PTS
- Up-dation of Family Pension and Pension at Par with Sponsor Banks

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We are hopeful that the government will come out of the trap of its predatory advisors (having no intention of saving the country), who have blindsided the government. From the past, it is clear that the government is not working in an unbiased manner and misunderstanding its foe as friend. However, there is still time left with the government to take corrective measures or it shall give answer to the public of the country, who have trusted you with such a big responsibility. It is the government who is answerable to its citizens not its foes in disguise of friend (bureaucrats/advisors).

Keeping the interest of nation as prime, we request you to kindly resolve the issues through bilateral discussions by the medium of dialogue with the stakeholders. This way, together we can ensure a healthy, strong and prosperous future of CPSUs and its workers, for which we shall ever remain grateful to you.

Yours Sincerely,

[Secretary] [Secretary]

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