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Dear Friends,

Greetings from AIFUCTO.

Seventh Pay Review Committee Report:

February brought forth both hopes and frustrations. On February 22, 2017 the Seventh Pay Review Committee Report was submitted to MHRD for its approval. AIFUCTO expresses its gratitude to UGC for the same. Unfortunately the recommendations have not been officially made public, few points were given to the Press, by keeping AIFUCTO in complete oblivion. We note with concern that UGC and MHRD are both behaving in the most offensive manner by deliberating ignoring AIFUCTO, the largest university and teachers' body of the country on matters relating to them. It is extremely urgent for us to go through the Recommendations and put forward our views in the event of disagreement over any issue. .

AIFUCTO reiterates its eagerness to get the Seventh Pay Review Committee's Report published at the outset. We are in the first week of March and as yet no initiative has been shown towards bringing out the Report of 7 PRC. The teachers of the universities and colleges across India are aghast that they have been intentionally kept in the dark on such a sensitive and important issue. Such action only points out to the irresponsible behaviour and lack of commitment of the present government towards the teaching community and apathy towards issues related to higher education. This clearly is lack of transparency in the way issues related to teachers and higher education in India is treated. Giving due importance to the anxieties and concerns of the teachers AIFUCTO as the representative body of the teachers will now chart the future course of action.

Hope the Report is published in the earliest failing which the teachers would have no option but to take the path of protest and agitation.

Visit to UGC and MHRD:

To pursue the early publication of the Pay Review committee recommendations AIFUCTO General Secretary Prof Arun Kumar and Prof Amiya Kr.Mohanty, Former Vice President, AIFUCTO visited New Delhi between February 17 and 19, 2017 and met officials of UGC and MHRD..AIFUCTO asked for a draft of the recommendations but it was still not finalised.

Again on March 2, 2017 & 3 2017, AIFUCTO General Secretary and Treasurer Prof. D Kumar along with Prof. J.N Shukla, Treasurer of AIFRUCTO, met UGC Chairman Prof Ved Prakash to thank him for submitting the Report to MHRD for final approval. They also discussed important issues relating to the same.

On March 3, 2017 the delegation met with the officials of HRD and discussed the future prospects of 7th PRC recommendations. Both UGC and HRD cited procedural limitations and compulsion for not making the report public before High Level committee submits its observations and suggestions. AIFUCTO leadership expressed its dissatisfaction and strong resentment over the delay and asked them to speed up the process as teachers are waiting anxiously for the same.

Appointment with MHRD MINISTER:

Repeated requests for appointment with HRD Minister Sri Prakash Jawadekar have been in vain despite assurances being given. AIFUCTO feels humiliated at the way the highest Teachers' Body is being consciously ignored and expresses its strong resentment on the apathetic attitude of the Minister. We request once again that AIFUCTO is given an opportunity to meet the Minister and have a dialogue with him.