

Let's fight for the ultimate Goal – Repeal Prasar Bharati Act 1990

Dear Comrades,

We sincerely congratulate entire members of the constituent Associations/ Unions of AIR & Doordarshan who have been standing together like a fort to protect the interest of the Organisation (AIR&DD) and its employees, with the strength of unity.

With the strength of this unity only, we succeeded in retaining the status of employees and restoring the facilities of Central Government employees, including the benefit of 6th Central Pay Commission. The allied recommendations are also started to get implemented on the efforts of Federation for all employees.

While encouraged from the achievements we do realize that our demands are met partly only on various excuses like political compulsions, even though Government is convinced that Prasar Bharati is not relevant in present scenario and the need of the hour is the Govt should have its own broadcaster by retaining AIR&DD with the Government.

Meanwhile the developments taking place in Prasar Bharati for the last 6-8 months clearly proved that Prasar Bharati is a total failure in every concept considering to the functioning prior to 1997. The in fight amongst the Board members is hot news for the media houses and thereby tarnishing the image of Public Service Broadcaster.

In the meeting held with Hon'ble Minister for I&B on 26/10/2009, she was totally sympathetic to our concern on the working of Prasar Bharati but still government is not taking any decision.

It was only due to the intervention of NFADE the employees are getting their salaries timely for the last some months. NFADE had to fight like anything to get the disbursement of 60% of arrears.

On the other hand, Prasar Bharati Management is making their efforts to recruit near about 3000 employees on contract basis to the posts which were supposed to be filled up through regular recruitment.

It is the high time for the employees to come out to protect the organisation and the employees by making all-out efforts to take AIR & Doordarshan back to Government of India by Repealing Prasar Bharati Act 1990.

We have already submitted notice for the 6th phase of agitation to the Minister of I&B. copy is available in the website. Zonal/ State and Unit office bearers are requested to submit the notice to their respected Head of Offices at the earliest.

Kindly convey the messages to the nearby stations and ensure that all members of constituent Associations are actively participating in the agitation. Kindly approach the political leaders of your area to get the maximum political support to our demand as the final decision can only be taken by the Hon'ble Parliament.

Kindly monitor the website www.nfade.org for latest information on the activities and developments in the department.

We can't relax till reaching the ultimate destiny, i.e., Repeal Prasar Bharati Act 1990.

Let's ignore small- small differences if any. Let's fight together for existence.

Keep employees unity at any cost. NFADE Zindabad

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