

# **Unite Against the Anti-Worker, Anti-People and Anti-National Policy of Privatization!**

## **An Attack on One is an Attack on ALL!**

### ***Joint Press Release by:***

*All India Punjab National Bank Officers Association (AIPNBOA),*

*All India Station Masters Association (AISMA),*

*Central Railway Trackmaintainers Union (CRTU),*

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Since the launch of the New Economic Policy of Globalization through Liberalization and Privatization in 1991, various governments at the centre and in most states have been trying their best to implement that agenda for the benefit of big corporates, both Indian and foreign.

From the very beginning, various organizations of workers have been fighting against the privatization of government departments and public sector units. Privatization is being implemented in various forms and under a variety of names (such as corporatisation, divestment, outsourcing, contractualisation, public-private partnership, monetization of the assets including land, National Monetization Pipeline, etc.) throughout the country and in various sectors of the economy.

Privatization is not only against the interests of workers concerned, but it also adversely affects all those who are using the services of that enterprise. Privatization leads to maximizing profits resulting in increasing prices of the services, which is against the interests of all the users.

It is heartening to record that the workers from various sectors including railways, electricity, banking, insurance, telecom, defence production, healthcare, steel, coal and petroleum have come together from all over the country and have been fighting with great courage and conviction against the attacks of the central and state governments on the lives and livelihoods of Indian people.

They are convincingly arguing that the services being provided by these public sector enterprises and government units are not those which can be run with the objective of maximising profits for private owners. This message has to reach all our people who are all going to suffer the disastrous consequences of privatization.

Organizations of workers and people in various parts of the country are coming together to jointly work out action plans against these attacks and work towards halting privatisation.

We are meeting on Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> June 2022 in the evening at 5:30 in Patrakar Bhavan, Pune to take stock of the situation and work out a program for taking the struggle forward.

We very cordially invite you to publicise this meeting in your esteemed media and join us in this meeting!