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Bengal Chatkal Mazdoor Union

Regd. No. 289 Affiliated with A. I. T. U. C.

RISHRA BRANCH

Office—60, G. T ROAD (East) RISHRA, HOOGHLY.

Dated the June 27, 1960

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TO
The Manager,
Presidency Jute Mill,
Rishra.

Sub: NOTICE Of strike as per the Code Of
discipline in Industry.

Sir,

In view Of the fact that

(a) Dismissal notices have been unjustifiably served On 20th
june On the following:-

- (i) Md. Munshi - E.B.No.1129
- (ii) Kanchaia pasi - E.B. no.0491
- (iii) Ahmad Hossain - E.B. no.1325
- (iv) Laksman - T.NO.4/96

With a view to victimising them as prominent members Of the Bengal
Bengal Chatkal Maz00r Union;

(b) The management has refused to fix the permanent complement
Of the Mill at 3 workmen per 100m, as recommended to the state Government
by the chairman, Speacial committee for the Jute Industry and instead is
persisting in maintaining a huge number Of Budlies amounting to
66% Of the total number Of employed hands;

(c) Even the existing Old Budlis are being denied employment in
strict rotation On a seniority basis, and are being whimsically replaced
by newly recruited Budlis, which is a flagrant breach Of the decision Of
the First Session Of the Industrial Committee On Jute regarding freezing
Of the Budli list as On 2nd August, 1956

and

since all efforts On the part Of the Union to come to a negotiated settl-
settlement Over the above issues have failed due to the consistently
unreasonable and adamant attitude Of the management now, therefore,

You are hereby notified that the workmen Of the Presidency

contd.

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Of the Presidency Jute Mill have decided to resist the above-mentioned repressive policies and unfair labour practices of the management and have authorised the Bengal Chatkal Mazdoor Union to serve on you a notice of strike, as required under the Code of Discipline in Industry.

I am, therefore, directed to inform you that failing any amicable settlement during the current week of the undermentioned demands, the workmen will be compelled to resort to strike action from any date after July 3rd.

Demands :-

- (1) The dismissal notices served on the four workmen concerned to be withdrawn and the workmen to be reinstated;
- (2) Cadre of permanent workmen to be fixed at the ratio of 3 men per 100m, on the basis 100ms in operation on 1st April, 1960.
- (3) Existing Old Judlis to be guaranteed regular rotational employment on the basis of seniority.

Yours faithfully,

LD/ JAHAR GHOSH

Secretary,

Bengal Chatkal Mazdoor Union, Rishra Branch.

Copy to:

1. The Joint Secretary, Labour Department, Govt, of West Bengal. Writers' Building, Calcutta-1.
2. The Labour Commissioner, West Bengal, New Secretariat Buildings, 1, Hastings Street, Calcutta, -1.
3. The Chief Personal Adviser, Indian Jute Mills Association Bengal Chamber of Commerce Buildings, Netaji Subhas Road, Calcutta-1.
4. The Group Labour Officer, Indian Jute Mills Association, 1, William Carey Road, P.O. Serampore. Dist, Hooghly.
5. Asst. Labour Commissioner, P.O. Chandernagore, Dist, Hooghly
6. The General Secretary, All India Trade Union Congress, 4, Asoka Road, ~~Rani Jhansi Road~~, New Delhi.
7. The Secretary, Bengal Provincial Trade Union Congress. 249, Bowbazar Street. Calcutta-12.
8. The Secretary, Bengal Chatkal Mazdoor Union, 249, Bowbazar street, Calcutta-12. for their information.

Jahar Ghosh

WEST BENGAL COMMITTEE
All India Trade Union Congress

Phone : 34-2044

249, BOWBAZAR STREET, CALCUTTA-12

Ref.

Date 5th October 1960.

Dear K.L.,

(1) The Jute Wage Board is in a mess. No office, no staff, no Secretary, & the employers' representatives have gone off to UK + USA. So, the first meeting has been fixed for Nov. 22nd. Meantime, the Unions are to submit their demands re: interim relief. The Chairman has not even been supplied with a list of the Unions which have to be circularized. We have to help him in this. Particularly, the names & addresses of our Jute unions outside Bengal are required. I do not have a complete & upto date list with me. Can you please send me this by return of post?

(2) I enclose a draft letter which you should also please send out at once in the AITUC's name to the different

Unions (outside Bengal).

(3) Siddhanta tells me he sent you the list of our objections to the others' membership claims long ago - you must have received it while I was still in Delhi. But you kept me under the impression that it had not come! This is the result of a potato diet.

(4) Please also send us 50 or 100 application forms for affiliation. We have none remaining here.

(5) By now, you may have heard of the incident at Borbil. Mahanty wanted me to go there immediately, but I felt it would be both futile + risky at this stage. Now we are in for some more prolonged cases, financial crisis, & charges by Nanda of violating the Code. It is my feeling that the agitation carried on day to day in these tribal areas is on wrong lines + leads to results which our unions cannot control.

(6) Your boys have been informed of the meeting of 23rd/24th, though

WEST BENGAL COMMITTEE
All India Trade Union Congress

249, BOWBAZAR STREET, CALCUTTA-12

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(3)

Date 195 .

They all shouted when they heard of the
venue! I am sitting with them in a
day or two.

(7) Nihar is in Durgapur. I have not
met him yet since I returned.
He has been written to to come + collect
his wage as well as report on progress
of work.

Yours,
Jf.

Draft

To
The Secretary
Jute - Union

Dear comrade,
The Wage Board for Jute Industry
has started to function. The Chairman,

(4)

Shri L. P. Dave, has set up a temporary office at the following address:

New Secretariat Buildings,
11th Floor, Room No. 14,
1. Hastings Street,
Calcutta - 1.

As the employees' representatives will be out of India during October, the Chairman has decided to call the first meeting of the Board on November 22nd. Meanwhile, he will circularise ~~to~~ all Unions to submit ^{in writing} ~~by~~ November 1st their demands regarding Interim Relief. Further details will be fixed up & communicated later.

You should immediately (i) start preparing your case for Interim Relief;

(ii) communicate directly with the Board Chairman at the above address;

(iii) keep in touch with Com. Indrajit Gupta at 249, Bowbazar Street, Calcutta - 12, & endorse to him a copy of your letters to the Chairman.

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for AITUC

October 6, 1960

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With greetings,

Yours fraternally,

vmc
(K.G.Sriwastava)
Secretary

JUTE UNIONS (OUTSIDE WEST BENGAL)

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General Secretary,
Kanpur Mazdoor Union,
269 Railbazar,
KANPUR

General Secretary,
Katihar Jute Mill Workers Union,
KATIHAR, Bihar

General Secretary,
Chittivalasa Labour Union,
Tagarapuvalasa,
CHITVALASA, Vizag Dist., Andhra Pradesh

General Secretary,
Jute Mill Workers Union,
Ring Road,
GUNTUR, Andhra Pradesh

General Secretary,
Jute Labour Union,
ELURU, Andhra Pradesh

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MINISTRY OF LABOUR & EMPLOYMENT
OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL LABOUR COMMISSIONER (CENTRAL),
JABALPUR.

MOST IMMEDIATE
EXPRESS DELIVERY .

No. J-157(2-7)/60-VFN-Raj-Pt-III. Dated the 17th Decemberg . 60.

To

The General Secretary,
AITUC, Central Office,
4, Ashoka Road,
New Delhi.

Sub:-Verification of Trade Union Membership for the
year ending 31st March, 1960 - Gypsum Mine Workers'
Union, Badwasi (Rajasthan).

Dear Sir,

The General Secretary of the above Union had
informed Shri T.G.Moorjani, Labour Inspector (Central),
Jodhpur at the time of verification on 13-10-60 that
their Union was not affiliated to AITUC. A copy of
the Union's letter dated the 13th Oct'60 is enclosed.

This is for your information please.

Yours faithfully,

Encl- One.

H. Bhanu
for REGIONAL LABOUR COMMISSIONER (C)JBP.

Copy with a copy of letter referred to above
forwarded to the Secretary, Rajasthan Trade Union,
Committee, AITUC, Somani Building, Station Road,
Jaipur, for information.

Copy forwarded to the Labour Inspector (Central),
Jodhpur for information.

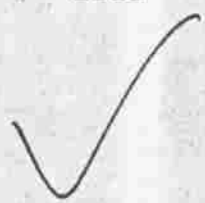
DCJ/17-12. for REGIONAL LABOUR COMMISSIONER (C)
JABALPUR.

Copy of letter No.TUC-60/Misc-2/2/1160, dated the 13-10-60
from the General Secretary, Gypsum Mine Workers Union,
Badwasi (Raj), addressed to the Labour Inspector (Central),
Jodhpur, Camp Badwasi.

Sub:- Verification of membership.

Ref:- R.L.C. L.N.J-157(2)/60-VFN,dt.29th Sept'60.

As our Union is not affiliated with any Central
Organisation of Trade Unions, and at present our records required
in the above letter is not ready, so that we are unable to show
you the same.



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..UNILATERAL DECISION OF IJMA TO SEAL FURTHER LOOM AFFECT TWENTY THOUSAND W ORKERS STOP IJMA VIOLATES CODE OF DISCIPLINE STOP CONSPIRACY TO PREJUDICE JUTE WAGEBORD STOP REQUEST IMMEDIATE CONVENING JUTE INDUSTRIAL COMMITTEE MEETING STOP INTERVENTION SOLICITED..

■ INDRAJITGUPTA M P..

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- IJMA DECIDES FURTHER SEALING OF LOOM ALLEGED GROUNDS
RAWJUTE HIGH PRICES STOP TWENTYTHOUSAND WORKERS AFFECTED

STOP DEMAND IMMEDIATE STEP TO CURB SPECULATION IN RAW JUTE -

- INDRAJITGUPTA MP -

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