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To All Members (Please Circulate)

Dear Comrades,

## <u>9™ JOINT NOTE</u> <u>NO LEVY</u> AN APPEAL

The historic 9<sup>th</sup> Joint Note has finally been signed. It is a great pleasure for all of us to have achieved a decent wage revision this time, without any agitation or a single strike call. The 5 day workweek has been included in the 9<sup>th</sup> Joint Note for strong persuasion. With a deep sense of gratitude, we extend heartfelt thanks to the members for reposing their trust in the leadership and for their unwavering support and solidarity during this groundbreaking negotiation, as they have done in the past with all our organizational calls. We have already received our new salaries and allowances for this month, including arrears.

Comrades, <u>the Circle Association has already decided to continue with the decision taken during the wage</u> <u>settlements on earlier occasions, i.e. not imposing any levy on the payment of arrears.</u> However, we have been inundated with requests from members to accept a token donation for espousing our diverse activities. It is needless to reiterate that the Circle Association, true to its tradition, has been undertaking numerous social welfare activities, conducting branch visits, organizing various programs, publishing books and circulars for the benefit of the members, students, and people in need throughout the year. All of these activities require substantial funds for expenditure by the Circle Association. Last year, the Circle Association extended donations to many needy individuals and organizations, including a donation of Rs.5.00 lakhs to the Chief Minister's Relief Fund of Sikkim to support the flood-affected people. The Circle Association is exploring new initiatives, including setting up new guesthouses for the benefit of its members as well as for the progress of the organization.

So, we are confident that **our vibrant members will rise to the occasion** by contributing generously to the Circle Association as **a one-time donation**. Members may do so either by crediting the account as given hereunder, mentioning their names and P.F. numbers. Our activists will assist you for this purpose.



We hope that the members will appreciate and take pleasure in this historic wage settlement.

With revolutionary greetings,

Shubhajyoti Chattopadhyay (General Secretary) Date: 26.03.2024