

***Resolution adopted in the 9th All India Conference of BSNLEU,
on communal harmony.***

India is a country of vast diversity having different cultures, languages, religions etc. The Constitution of India upholds secularism and democracy to protect this diversity in cultures and freedom of expression. This diversity and freedom of expression are what makes India great. Of late, concerted efforts are being made by some in the name of Hindutva, to impose their version of Hinduism on all Hindus, Muslims and on people of other religions.

We are well aware that the working class of India is passing through a very critical period. The policies of liberalisation, privatisation and globalisation followed by the successive governments, have wreaked havoc on the lives of the working class in India. Regular employment is being replaced by the Fixed Term Employment System. Rising prices of essential commodities, unemployment and corruptions have become the order of the day. Health services and education have become very costly and have gone beyond the reach of the common man. The entire working class of the country is on war path against all these policies.

On one hand, the working class is getting unified, on the other hand, communal forces are trying to create disharmony among the common people. These communal forces are trying to divide the people in the name of religion. Working class unity is worst affected by such divisions. Trade union is the most shining example of communal harmony. It is a platform where workers from every part of the country, from all castes, religions and communities work together at their work spots harmoniously and fight together for their rights and demands.

The general elections are approaching nearer and the fundamentalist forces are sharpening their attacks on communal harmony of the masses. The government of the day has not only failed to take swift action, but, it is also indulging in abetting communalism. The BJP and the RSS are trying to flare up the situation by indulging in making inflammatory speeches.

The working class is the most advanced and conscious section of the society. We are in the midst of serious struggles against the economic policies of the ruling class, which are being pursued by the government as per the dictates of the IMF and World Bank, controlled by imperialist forces. They want to divide the working class by spreading hatred between people of different faiths. Hence, we need to be extra careful against such elements which are bent upon creating unrest and communal disharmony among the people in the name of religion.

Communal harmony is not only our interest, but it is a must for national unity and integrity. The 9th All India Conference of BSNL Employees Union held at Mysuru on 17th to 20th December, 2018, appeals to all BSNL employees in particular, and the entire working class in general, to fight against all sorts of communalism and strive to maintain the unity of the working class.

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